The Weather
Today—Rain ending in the afternoon; moderate temperature. Yesterday—High, 28; low, 21.
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Fierce Yank Comeback Offensive Hits Nazi Bulge in Belgium From Both Sides

U. S. Forces Sink 3 Jap Destroyers Off Mindoro

Nip Battleship Hit; Shelling of American Bases Is Ineffective

Allied Headquarters, Leyte, Philippines (Thursday), Dec. 28 (U.P.).—United States forces sank three Japanese destroyers and scored hits on a battleship and heavy cruiser in an engagement Tuesday night with enemy surface forces which inaccurately shelled American positions on Mindoro Island, it was announced today.

The enemy force, first containing capital ships to venture out to battle since Japan's disastrous defeat in the Philippines Sea in October, comprised a battleship, a heavy cruiser and six destroyers.

Forced to Withdraw

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's daily war bulletin announced that the Japanese were forced to withdraw after losses inflicted by American warplanes and motor torpedo boats. The bulletin said that the shelling of the American positions on Mindoro, 150 miles south of Manila, was both "inaccurate" and "fruitless."

It was the firs ttime the Japanese had sent warships against Mindoro, which the Americans invaded on December 15. Presumably the Japanese were hoping to knock out the big San Jose airfield, 5 miles inland from the southwest coast, and already in use by American fighter planes battering at Japanese airfields on Luzon Island, to the north.

Spotted in South China Sea

The Japanese task force was spotted steaming through the South China Sea at dusk Tuesday and was immediately attacked by American medium bombers, fighters and torpedo boats.

"Repeated assault sorties by our air elements forced the enemy to withdraw after some fruitless and inaccurate shelling of the coastline," MacArthur said. He added that light Japanese air attacks on the American ground positions on Mindoro caused minor damage, but three enemy planes were shot down.

It was the first time the Japanese had sent out a major task force since the Battle of the Philippines

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U. S. Subs Sink Jap Carrier, 26 Other Ships

By the Associated Press

The first definite sinking of a Japanese aircraft carrier by a United States submarine was reported yesterday by the Navy.

The announcement came in a Navy communique which disclosed the destruction by the far-ranging submersibles of a total of 27 vessels, including the large carrier and six other combatant ships.

The announcement raised the total of Japanese fighting ships which have fallen victim to American submarine warfare to 99, including a carrier, 14 cruisers, 44 destroyers, 3 tenders and 37 miscellaneous types.

Yesterday's communique reported the sinking, in addition to the carrier, of a converted light cruiser, a destroyer, two escort vessels and two destroyer transports. Noncombatant vessels also claimed yesterday were two large transports, 10 medium cargo vessels, 3 small cargo vessels, a small transport, 2 medium cargo transports and 2 medium tankers.

In a separate announcement, the Navy reported the loss of a landing ship, the LSM 20 off Leyte due to enemy action and disclosed that a destroyer previously announced as sunk in Philippine waters in a night engagement was the USS Cooper. The LSM 20 had a crew of 52 and the Cooper a normal complement of 275. There was no announcement as to casualties but the commanders of both vessels, Comdr. Mell A. Peterson of Algona, Iowa, of the destroyer, and Lieut. John R. Bradley, Oak Creek, Colo., of the LSM, were rescued.

Lieutenant Bradley was wounded

In addition to the 99 combatant vessels sunk by submarines since

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Christmas in a German Pine Forest

TIME OUT FOR CHRISTMAS—Pfc. Thomas Gardner (left), of 219 1st st. nw., celebrating the Yuletide with two fellow Army Engineers of the Fourth Armored Division somewhere in Germany. The tree is still in the ground and is decorated with captured enemy guns and knives. Gardner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Gardner, two sisters and a brother live at the 1st st. address. Another brother, Pfc. Jack Gardner is overseas. Sharing congratulations above with Tom are Pfc. J. Martinez, Arizona, center, and Pvt. WilliamE. Frazier, Ellwood City, Pa., right

Pivotal Senate Posts Intrigue 'Isolationists'

Wheeler, Wiley Seen Interested in Seats on Foreign Relations Group

By Robert C. Albright

At least two former isolationists holding high seniority priorities yesterday were reported "interested" in yawning vacancies on the treaty-focal Senate Foreign Relations Committee, as jockeying for key posts in the new Congress got under way.

They were Senator Burton K. Wheeler (D., Mont.), leading Democratic noninterventionist, and Senator Alexander Wiley (R., Wis.), no less a thorn in the side of Administration foreign policy.

Chairmanship Shifts Slated

Two other major Senate committees meanwhile appeared slated for chairmanship shifts, in an Administration play to block another foreign policy nonconformist from heading up one of them.

1. Senator Elbert Thomas (D., Utah), now chairman of the Senate Labor Committee, is expected to be "drafted" by the Democratic Steering Committee in January to captain the Senate Military Committee, on which he is ranking man. This shift would block Senator Edwin C. Johnson (D., Colo.), from succeeding to the post now held by the retiring isolationist, Robert R. Reynolds (D., N. C.).

2. The Thomas transfer would clear the way for Senator James E. Murray (D., Mont.), like Thomas a leading New Deal champion of organized labor's cause, to become chairman of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor.

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Sleet Curtails Traffic Here; More Rain Due

A mixture of sleet and rain that froze on hitting the ground made yesterday miserable for pedestrians and motorists, curtailed taxi service, and held up local deliveries as well as truck shipments of gasoline, coal and other products to the city.

The Weather Bureau offered only mild encouragement for gradually rising temperatures today. Rain is expected to continue until late afternoon. Temperatures yesterday remained in the 20-25 degree range.

The Capital Transit Co. said last night service was being maintained on all lines with only minor delays, although service on the Friendship Heights line was held up half an hour yesterday afternoon because of an ice-coated trolley.

Taxi company officials said full scale operation was impossible owing to shortage of towing and service trucks, and of gasoline. Several long distaance trucking firms reported curtailed or interrupted operations.

Suspension of commercial airline flights into and out of Washington was reported at National Airport, beginning shortly after noon. Railroad and bus service was not affected, however.

The American Automobile Association warned motorists roads from the Carolinas to New York were unsafe. Chains are necessary, it added.

District employes living in the suburbs, except those in essential maintenance and protective services, were permitted to start for home an hour ahead of their usual time.

2 Infantrymen From District Die in Action

Casualties Include 10 Other Area Men Among Wounded

District of Columbia men killed reported through December 27: Army, 432; Navy, 97; Marines, 59; Coast Guard, 5. Total, 593.

Two young District Army infantrymen have been killed in action in France and 10 other area men have been wounded, it was learned here yesterday.

DEAD:

Pfc. Kenneth S. Bromley, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Bromley, 802 Quintana pl. nw.

Pvt. James Earl Carnell, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Carnell, 7281 Tucker rd. se.

WOUNDED:

Second Lieut. John C. Vehue, husband of Mrs. Alberta L. Vehue, 1433 Columbia rd. nw., and now reported en route home from France.

Tech. Sergt. Fred S. Joyce, USMC, whose wife's address is 2425 Mount Vernon ave., Alexandria.

Corp. William J. Kelly, 21, US MCR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Kelly, 4004 New Hampshire ave. nw.

John Little Summers, 20, aviation radioman second class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oron P. Summers, 1373 Pennsylvania ave. se.

Pfc. William H. Gorham, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L. Gorham of Franconia, Fairfax County, Va.

Pvt. John O. Hamilton, sr., 33, whose wife, Adele, lives at 10107 Dallas ave., Silver Spring, Md.

Pvt. Arthur Pincus, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pincus, 7409 Piney Branch rd., Takoma Park.

Pvt. Conway J. Burke, 28, whose wife, Marguerite, lives at 702 N. Piedmont st., Arlington, Va.

Pvt. Charles A. Schlosser, 21, son of Mrs. Charles Morton, 317 10th st. ne.

Pvt. Elwood V. Anderson, 27, whose wife, Ruth, lives at 342 8th st. ne.

A former lieutenant colonel of the Roosevelt High School Cadets

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Lincoln Day Talk Here by Dewey Set for Feb. 8

A Washington address by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey on February 8, to be broadcast nationally, was formally announced yesterday.

The address, at the annual Lincoln Day dinner here, the first by the Governor since his unsuccessful bid for the Presidency in November, will mark his first visit to the Capital since the campaign.

Grocers Bear the Brunt

Confused, Angry Food Buyers Criticize OPA Ration Policy

There was still some confusion and bitterness among District consumers yesterday as grocers generally assimilated the new food ration regulations and warned customers that old stamps were not good even if they had saved them for Jack's furlough.

Resentment against the OPA for making the sudden change in policy was reported by one grocer on upper Connecticut avenue. "The changes," he said emphatically, "have destroyed a lot of the people's faith in the OPA. One woman almost cried when I told her the stamps she had been saving for a roast were no good."

Most grocers reported women trying to exchange invalid stamps but only, they pointed out, because "the policy has not been made clear to them." Most of the customers were gracious in accepting their loss when grocers explained that the stamps they brought could not be accepted.

Meanwhile, District OPA again urged housewives to destroy all food stamps made valid before December 1.

Kansas Farmers Ask Capper for Gloves

By the Associated Press

Kansas farmers in the Emporia area appealed to Senator Capper (R., Kans.) yesterday to help them obtain work gloves.

"Kansas corn shucking and combining stopped for lack of cotton gloves," they telegraphed. WPB told Capper there is a shortage because of military demand.

Reds Split Defenders Of Budapest

Part of Nazi Force Driven Into Hills, Rest Trapped in Danube Smash

London, Dec. 27 (AP).—Russian troops smashed across the Danube River's eastern branch north of Budapest, captured Szentendrei Island and split the German-Hungarian forces defending the city, Moscow announced tonight.

Part of the enemy units have been driven into the mountainous terrain in the Danube bend north of the capital, and the others caught in a vise inside Budapest, the Soviet communique said, as the Russian forces on Szentendrei Island established contact with their comrades on the Danube's west bank.

Other Red Army troops stormed into Budapest from the south, west and east, said the communique, reporting numerous new penetrations of the city limits, including capture of the Kelenfold district in the southwest.

Throat Northwest

In a strong, fresh thrust northwest of Budapest toward the Austrian border, Marshal Feodor I. Tolbuhkin's forces forged up the Budapest-Vienna railroad and captured Felsogalla, 24 miles west of the Hungarian capital, and took Sutio and Nyergesufalu, both on the Danube where it turns westward.

Reds 96 Miles From Vienna

Thus, the armies of Tolbuhkin and Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky both had reached points approximately 96 miles from Vienna and 65 from Bratislava, Tolbuhkin from the south and Malinovsky from the east. Malinovsky's troops today continued their preparations to storm the Hron (Garam) River line guarding Austria, as the communique reported a drive to clear the Germans from the area between the Hron and the Ipoly rivers in Czechoslovakia north of the Danube.

Split Is Described

The translation of the broadcast communique by the Soviet monitor here used the word "half" in describing how the Budapest garrison was split. However, other translations used "part" instead, and it was uncertain whether the separated enemy forces were of equal strength. Their total number, originally estimated at 100,000 is unknown, but is said by Moscow to be "large."

The Germans and Hungarians caught north and northwest of the city are hemmed in by the broad Danube to the east and north on one side, and by elements of Tolbuhkin's Third Ukraine Army on the other.

Budapest Due to Fall Soon

With Budapest completely surrounded and its garrison split, the once beautiful city on the Danube, shaken by bombs and shellfire from the Russians and the dynamite of German demolition squads, seemed destined to fall into Soviet hands shortly.

Col. Ernest von Hammer, German military commentator, said on the Berlin radio that the Soviets had thrown fresh forces against the estimated 30 Nazi divisions they are attacking in isolated western Latvia. He said this offensive had entered its sixth day, although Moscow never has confirmed it.

"In the area between the railroads leading from Jelgave to Saldus and Tukums, the fighting mounted considerably in weight and scope," Von Hammer said.

Again there were hints of impending Russian offensives in East Prussia and on the southern Poland plain. Belgian and Swedish reports said a drive in Poland waited only for solid freezing of the earth, while the Paris radio reported Red Army concentrations in East Prussia.

Nazis Using 2000 Spies in Yank Garb

Stavelot Sector, Belgium, Dec. 27 (AP).—It was estimated today that the Germans are using more than 2,000 spies in American uniforms in this drive. Some of these have been dropped behind American lines by parachute. Others have been infiltrating in American jeeps and equipment. It is the largest known espionage assault of this type in this war.

An Epic of American Valor

U. S. Armor Smashes Nazi Ring Around Yanks at Bastogne

BULLETIN

Paris, Dec. 27 (AP).—An American armored column smashed into the southern flank of the German salient today and made contact with the beleaguered garrison of Bastogne.

London, Dec. 27 (AP).—The Brussels radio said tonight that American relief columns had reached the American garrison at Bastogne, which has been cut off by the German advance for more than a week.

"The relief forces have linked up with Allied defenders round the town," the Belgian broadcast said.

Having rejected a Nazi ultimatum for surrender, the trapped doughboys have been holding out against tremendous enemy pressure and were reported to have taken a large toll of German armor in their defense of the town. The American force is described as sizable, but its number has not been disclosed.

The besieged troops received hundreds of tons of supplies, principally ammunition, today. It was dropped from trains of C-27 transport planes which flew from both Britain and France with their cargoes.

The first transport slipped over the German lines at dawn and dropped a unit of paratroopers to guide the other C-47's to the scene.

Half an hour after they radioed back that they had landed safely, bundles of ammunition, food and medicine were being dropped to the surrounded Americans.

The transport pilots encountered no opposition from German planes, but flew through heavy groundfire. They saw four tanks, which they believed were German, burning in the Bastogne area, spotted an enemy tank column resting by the road and notified Air Force head-

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Populist Party Declines Peace Bid of ELAS

Group Calls Terms Unacceptable, Then Parley Adjourns

BULLETIN

London, Dec. 27 (AP).—The British Broadcasting Company reported tonight that Prime Minister Churchill had told an Athens press conference that he, President Roosevelt and Premier Stalin would review the Greek situation in a meeting soon. He added that if the Greeks did not soon solve their differences an "international trust might be necessary to rule the country."

Athens, Dec. 27 (AP).—Peace proposals offered by the left-wing ELAS (National Liberation Front) were declared unacceptable today by members of the Greek Populist Party, and the conference called by Prime Minister Winston Churchill adjourned its second meeting without agreement on ending the Greek crisis.

The Populists are a royalist, conservative group.

However, other conference delegates said they would consider the ELAS terms and present their reply later. As today's conference ended former Greek Premier Stylianos Gonatas declared that if the ELAS proposals were accepted they would mean "a complete dissolution of the state."

Regency Reported Favored

(A BBC correspondent reported from Athens that the conference "tonight unanimously declared itself in favor of a regency," according to a London broadcast recorded in New York by CBS.

(The Ministry of Information in London reported that Churchill had long conversations with United States Ambassador Lincoln MacVeagh at the British Embassy in Athens today and informed him fully of the progress of the discussions.)

While the peace terms were being discussed in the Grand Bre-

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Airplane Plant In Tokyo Set Afire by B-29s

1 of 40 Raiding Craft Admitted Lost; Japs Say 9

Superfortresses set fires in the Musashima aircraft plant and other targets in a noonday raid on Tokyo yesterday in which one B-29 was lost, a War Department communique said last night. The raid was carried out by a medium force, indicating that approximately 40 bombers took part.

The raid was the third against the Musashima plant within five weeks and the fifth in force against the Japanese capital by Superfortresses.

Operated by the Nakajima company, the plant, one of Japan's principal producers of military planes, had been hit by Superfortresses Nov. 24 and Dec. 3.

Tokyo Claims Nine Downed

The text of the Twentieth Air Force communique No. 39:

"Fires were observed in the Tokyo areas by crews of the Twenty-first Bomber Command B-29s which in medium force attacked Japan at noon Wednesday, December 27, Japanese time. Based on early reports, antiaircraft fire and fighter opposition are believed to have been moderate. One Superfortress was lost to enemy action.

"Among targets was the important Nakajima aircraft plant, located in the Musashino (Musashima) district on Tokyo's outskirts.

"This information is based on preliminary reports received at headquarters of the Twentieth Air Force from Brig. Gen. H. S. Hansell, whose Twenty-first Bomber Command is based on Saipan."

Admit Losing Four Fighters

(Tokyo said 50 Superforts participated. Imperial headquarters made the unsubstantiated claim that nine of them were shot down, five probably shot down and 27 damaged. It admitted some damage to industrial sections.

(Two were brought down by Nipponese pilots, who deliberately

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Eaker Needs Bases

Effort for Closer Air Liaison With Reds Makes No Headway

Rome, Dec. 27 (AP).—The U. S. Air Command in Italy, seeking a close liaison with Russian military forces which would enable hundreds of Fifteenth Air Force heavy bombers to be employed with maximum effectiveness against the common enemy, thus far apparently has achieved no tangible results in its overtures.

Close cooperation was attained last summer, when Fifteenth Air Force bombers and fighters as well as Eighth Air Force planes shuttled to bases in Russia, bombing and strafing Nazi targets en route.

The desirability of shuttle operations ceased, however, when Romania was knocked out of the war and the Russian armies moved up into Poland, Hungary, Slovakia and Yugoslavia.

Authoritative sources here asserted that shuttel bombing was discontinued merely because it ceased to be profitable when bases built for U. S. bombers were left great distances behind the Russian fighting front and the targets between them and Italy ceased to exist.

The problem troubling Lieut. Gen. Ira C. Eaker and his staff, however, is fighter bases. It obviously would be ideal if the Americans were able to base fighters in the newly won area near Budapest where bombers could pick up escort while en route to Germany. The tactical air forces now are compelled to use all the available air fields near the northern Itaian battlefront.

Elimination of the enemy from France and the Balkans and substantially from Hungary has left the Fifteenth Air Force with only a limited sphere of operations.

It could be a tremendous sup-

See SHUTTLE, Page 2, Column 5.

Luxembourg Withdrawals Admitted By Berlin

Bastogne Siege Broken; Allies Report Gains Up To 5 Miles in Day

London (Thursday), Dec. 28 (A.P.).—American troops in a tremendous comeback offensive against both sides of the German salient in Belgium have narrowed the neck of the enemy position to less than 20 miles in width and relieved the gallant beleaguered garrison of Bastogne, it was disclosed late last night in a flurry of Allied and enemy announcements.

Apparently getting into high gear for the first time since the daring Nazi counteroffensive caught them by surprise December 16, the infuriated Americans had robbed the enemy of the initiative and gained as much as 5 miles in a day, these dispatches indicated.

These were the highspots:

Supreme Headquarters in Paris confirmed Brussels and Luxembourg radio flashes that the American garrison of the Belgian town of Bastogne, which had been encircled and under attack since December 20, had been relieved and the siege raised.

Tanks Slash Into Bulge

American tanks, which were 5 miles south of Bastogne 24 hours previously, burst deep into the German bulge and linked up with the besieged force which had spurned German demands for surrender and had knocked out 27 enemy tanks in its week of isolated battle. A dispatch from Supreme Headquarters said the relieving forces were of considerable size.

The Allied-controlled Luxembourg radio said the base of the German corridor had been narrowed to less than 20 miles, and this was almost exactly the mileage from Bastogne northward to last reported Allied positions on the northern side near Lierneux.

Premier Hubert Pierlot told the Belgian Parliament that he had word from "the highest Allied authority that the situation at the front is well in hand" and "there is no reason for anxiety." He did not name his source, but on such a military matter "the highest Allied authority" could only be the high command.

Germans Admit Withdrawal

The German radio, which all day had been taking a less cheerful view of the situation, finally announced that Allied troops were striking violently both on the northern and southern flanks of Field Marshal Karl Gerd von Rundstedt's salient and conceded that German troops in some frontier sectors of the Duchy of Luxembourg had withdrawn to the Siegfried Line.

The Germans contended that "practically the whole Third American Army" was counterattacking in the south and admitted this was intended to "corner German divisions between the Salm and Ourthe Rivers."

In the north, the Germans said that a crack British division had joined with an American division

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Allies Hit Flanks Of German Salient

Not Predicting

Missing Nazi Nose Is Hit By March

By Tom Reedy
Associated Press Staff Writer

Gen. Peyton C. March, on his eightieth birthday, yesterday deplored what he termed the Allies' failure to hit the advancing German armies "on the nose."

GEN. MARCH

The World War I Chief of Staff also:

1. Declared a complete breakdown in Allied military intelligence preceded the Nazi counteroffensive.

2. Intimated that talk of "unconditional surrender" had hampered military operations.

3. Expressed doubt that Russia would join in the war against Japan.

Clad in brown mufti and a gay Christmas necktie, the retired general gave his views to reporters in his Washington apartment.

One year ago he said the Germans wouldn't be beaten in 1944.

You could almost hear the expression on his face yesterday. It said "Hah!"

And the way Von Rundstedt is pushing the Allies back, March won't even predict victory for the Allies in 1945. He'll only go so far as to say the Germans are going to lose, some time.

The Japanese are even tougher, he said.

Calls Hitler One Reason

Waiting for his birthday cake, baked big enough to hold 80 candles, March said that one reason the Allied military intelligence "broke down completely" is Hitler himself.

"In the other countries, we depended a lot on the underground for invaluable information. Hitler got rid of all such elements in Germany itself. He has a homogeneous nation."

March won't accept the theory that the weather interferes in such operations.

He says it's high time we stop blaming the weather and the terrain.

"I never saw it snow on one side and not on the other. . ."

General Eisenhower's statement that the war in Europe could be won by Christmas "if everyone does his part" was "too iffy" and never should have been made, March added. It just wasn't "in the cards."

Hitting Them on Side

He said it was very important now to see how long it will take Eisenhower to blunt the German offensive.

"We're hitting them on the side, everywhere it seems but on the nose," he said wryly.

It's apparent, he said, that the German nation intends to "fight this out to the end."

"All this talk of unconditional surrender and what we're going to do to them hasn't been very helpful to us," he declared.

Even More of Problem

The Jap will be even more of a problem on his home soil, March predicted.

In doubting that Russia ever will get into the war against Japan, he said:

"I suppose this Government is trying to get Siberian bases and this was the year when we were in the best position to demand them. But don't forget that Stalin once told a Japanese, 'I am an Asiatic, too.' "

Asked if he could pin down reasonably the probable length of the war, he said:

"Well, I no longer count by anything but decades. So come back on my ninetieth birthday and I'll tell you."

Nazi Radio Says Big-Scale Battles Now in Progress

London, Dec. 27 (AP).—The German radio sai dtonight that Allied troops were striking violently at both the northern and southern flanks of Field Marshal von Rundstet's offensive and that in some frontier sectors of Luxembourg German troops had withdrawn to outposts of the westwall (Siegfried Line).

"Battles of the greatest scale" are being fought on both flanks, Berlin said.

"Practically the whole Third American Army" was counterattack in the southern sector, according to the broadcast, with Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton aiming a thrust in the vicinity of Vaux Les Rosiers, 9 miles southwest of aBstogne, in an effort "to corner German divisions between the Salm and Ourthe Rivers."

Cite Aachen Withdrawals

Berlin, which previously had based propaganda on claims that British troops were not taking part in the defense against Von Rundstedt, declared tonight that one of Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's crack divisions had joined with "still another American division withdraw nfrom the Aachen front in making particularly grim counterattacks" in the north.

The enemy broadcast said the Allied goal in the north was "to crush the German flank with massed forces and artillery near Grandmesnil."

An earlier German radio comment said the campaign was becoming "a battle of attrition."

Ludwig Sertorius, Berlin's military spokesman, said, "It remains to be seen whether the very bitter fighting is approaching a quick climax or whether it is gliding into an ntermediate phase. The Allied counterattacks already are more methodic. They are clearly directed at exerting pressure on the German wedge from both sides and make it collapse."

Says Eisenhower "Improvising"

He contended that General Eisenhower still was "improvising" his defense, but observed soberly, "he probably will use up a large part of the forces he has assembled to stem the German drive by flank attacks. This may account for the temporary slackening of Allied attacks in the area of Elsborn and Stavelot against the northern flank of the German offensive."

The German Transocean agency said, "The magnetic power of the winter battle is especially noticeable in the Aachen area where the positions of the U. S. Ninth Army have been taken over by British formations under command of Field Marshal Montgomery.

"In the course of regroupings going on behind the Allied lines, the released Americans may soon reappear on the winter battlefield."

Death Goes By in the Sky

Associated Press Wirephoto from Army Air Forces

RIDING HIGH—American Flying Fortresses streak across the heavens on their way to Coblenz and Cologne, each carrying a cargo of destruction for the enemy, and each leaving behind long awesome trails of vapor

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from the Aachen front in "particularly grim counterattacks" on the German right flank.

A late night field dispatch told of continued clear weather that gave American planes and artillery full scope against the German lines in both Belgium and Luxembourg, with the 19th Tactical Air Command alone reporting at least 24 enemy tanks and 116 motor vehicles destroyed.

Report Defensive Action

American artillery, aided by excellent observation, was extremely active and completely outweighed the German gunfire, said this dispatch from Associated Press Correspondent Lewis Hawkins. He said the Germans who took St. Hubert, 15 miles due west of Bastogne, were seen mining roads, blowing bridges and setting up road blocks. This is a usual defensive action, not the tactics of an army that expects to continue advancing.

Another front dispatch during the night said the American doughboys and tanks had given the Nazi marshal his "first serious setback" since the German drive began and that a smashing American counterblow was in progress at points which could not be specified.

All along the northern flank of the 35-mile-wide salient there were indications that the Nazis were on the defense for the moment, said Gallagher. With hundreds of American and British planes searching the roads, he said Von Rundstedt could not use his tanks on a big scale without risking a massacre.

Blunted Short of Meuse

News that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower had struck his first serious counterblow at the Germans after back-tracking 50 miles across Belgium came on top of the two-day-old information that the spearhead of the enemy drive had been blunted short of its Meuse River goal.

American forces met the two-pronged Nazi drive toward the Meuse in the areas of Ciney and Celles two days ago and brought it to a halt, knocking out some enemy armor and compelling Von Rundstedt's forward tank units to withdraw from the fartheest westward points attained in their 12-day-old push.

"Von Rundstedt has lost the initiative in his great all-out gamble to smash through the American front," Associated Press Correspondent Roger Greene declared in a front dispatch.

After touring the rim of the German salient, Kenneth Dixon of the AP reported, "the Allied position seems the most cheerful since Von Rundstedt uncorked his counter-stab."

Fuel Shortage Intimated

There was strong indication that Von Rundstedt's extended forces were short of fuel. Of 17 enemy tanks and self-propelled guns which the Americans found abandond when the pushes to Ciney and Celles were folded back, at least a dozen had dry gasoline tanks.

A field dispatch declared the Grmans already had thrown in a vost majority of their reserves and had more than 20 divisions, including 10 Panzer divisions, committed to the battle. It said the situation 'now may be regarded as past the crisis stage."

Eisenhower's counterattack against the German southern flank resulted in new gains between Kiekirch and Echternach, including capture of the village of Haller, 6 miles west of Echternach, and nearby Waldbilling. A German attack was repulsed near Haller, and high ground was won south of Echternach.

As Allied air power continued to beat at the enemy it was, however, the grim, dogged stand of American infantry and armor, which held on and died in its tracks, that military history will have to credit with slowing and blocking the tremendous rush of enemy armor.

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tagne Hotel in Athens, fresh fighting flared up in an area behind British headquarters as British paratroopers forged ahead with tanks and armored cars in an effort to clear the southern triangle leading into Omonia Square.

Earlier in the day the British announced that ELAS artillery had violated a conference truce by firing upon a British warship and Anglo-Greek naval headquarters in Piraeus late yesterday and that as a result British air action would start again.

Terms of ELAS Proposals

It previously had been agreed that no artillery action would be taken by ELAS fighters, or air action by the British, for 45 minutes as of 3 p. m. while ELAS delegates were being taken to last night's conference at which Prime Minister Churchill appealed for an end to the strife. The atmosphere at that conference was so tense that all delegates surrendered their sidearms at the door.

16 Report Today For Induction

Sixteen District men have been ordered to report for induction today. They are:

John C. Alexander, Robert R. Greene, Vernon A. Lewis, Raymond E. Riddle, William F. Fearson, Horace E. Sears, Clayton C. Spivey, Roger S. Nelson, James Hawkins, Parran S. Offer, Grover C. Price, William A. Stein, Richard Swinson, Adam Thomas, William T. Woodward, Charles A. Cardwell.

Allied Setback Blame Pointed To Higher-Ups

By James M. Long

Paris, Dec. 27 (AP).—An outright underestimation of German striking power, coupled with either a failure to learn of, or to appreciate, Field Marshal Karl Gerd von Rundstedt's mobile reserve movements behind the lines, appeared more than ever today to be the major factors behind the first serious Allied setback since the successful invasion of Europe.

That would seem to place the responsibility for the Nazi breakthrough high up in the Allied staff and to suggest that any important shakeup in the command—none has materialized as yet—would amount to finding a scapegoat.

However, the forthright Allied battle boss, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, has shown no inclination to hunt for scapegoats, either here, or previously during his command of the Mediterranean theater.

Supports His Generals

In this respect it can be recalled that the Allied commander displayed square-fisted directness in supporting his generals right down the line from Field Marshal Montgomery on back in the days when slow progress around Caen brought some public criticism of his British colleague.

Obviously, as a result of the Nazi counterattack, certain Allied troopshifts have been made. When the enemy broke through, his forces were running wild against almost no opposition. Now they are meeting a real opponent. German patrols have been probing our lines from the Maas to the Rhine in an effort to find out how the Allied lines were bolstered. But there is no intention here to hand them such vital information on a platter.

It is clear, however, that the Allied command was caught napping more by the force of Von Rundstedt's blow than by the fact one was delivered. All of which makes it seem quite certain that someone somewhere made the grievous military mistake of underestimating the enemy.

Attack at Weakest Point

Headquarters correspondents were told before the breakthrough occurred that sometime during the winter the Germans might be expected to try a counteroffensive. And one of the areas where such a Nazi blow was regarded as likely was through the Ardennes Forest region into Luxembourg and Belgium.

Despite this, Von Rundstedt pulled one army out of the line, moved at least one and possibly two others up from reserve, and where the doughboy screen was so weher the doughboy screen was so thin it obviously never was intended for halting anything in real strength.

(Associated Press correspondent Wes Gallagher, with the United States forces in Belgium, reported in a delayed dispatch today that prior to the German breakthrough newsmen at the front had been told that the Ardennes Forest was not a good spot for a winter offensive and that it was being used as a sort of "rest sector" by both the Germans and Americans.

Not First Miscalculation

(American officials, who believed that the morale of Nazi troops was extremely low, thought Von Runstedt had practically no strategic reserves left for a major attack and that the German plan was to fight a defensive action before the Ruhr Valley, Gallagher reported. He said officials also claimed the Luftwaffe was virtually nonexistent, and that the enemy's gasoline shortage and lack of war material precluded any large-scale offensive.

(Gallagher pointed out this was not the first time United States officers had failed to judge correctly the power of the Wehrmacht. A faulty estimate was made of Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's forces in Tunisia in February, 1942, just before the Germans came out of Kaid Pass, he cabled, adding that the enemy potential also was underestimated along the Rapido River and at the Anzio bridgehead in Italy.

(In a dispatch from Washington today Associated Press Writer John M. Hightower said military strategists there are now tentatively adding three to six months to their estimates of a date for a European victory.

Victory Guesses Revised

(At first, Allied generals thought the European phase would end last fall, Hightower reported. Later on they set the date at the year's end, then moved it ahead to spring. Now they talk of next fall or winter.)

Although Von Rundstedt's breakthrough achieved tactical surprise it came in a region where Allied troops could best afford to lose ground. There are no major cities in central Belgium, and as long as Allied flanks to the north and south hold firm the enemy thrust can offer no great threat to the Allied source of supplies.

Furthermore, the Luftwaffe's surprising new challenge may react to Allied advantage. Of an estimated 600 to 700 Nazi planes which took to the air yesterday, 200 were destroyed.

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port weapon for the Russian drive across Hungary if adequate liaison with the Soviet command were achieved.

Tragic consequences when close liaison is lacking were disclosed in a recent announcement that a group of American Lightnings lost its bearings and attacked a Russian column in Yugoslavia last month. That was one of the last times the Americans fried any target in that neighborhood.

CASUALTY

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and a member of the Army Enlisted Reserves since November, 1941,

VEHUE

Private Bromley died in action on November 14. He went overseas last October with an infantry unit after intensive training in the Army Specialized Training Program at the Citadel, Charleston, S. C. Prior to beginning active duty in the Army in June, 1943, Bromley attended Maryland University. He was a graduate of Roosevelt High School.

Private Carnell who had been overseas since August was killed October 24. A native of Washington, he attended the Camp Springs School and worked with his father as a steamfitter before joining the service in March, 1943. Among his survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Clara Gelestilno of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Mary Veihmeyer of Washington.

Vehue Wounded In Europe

Lieutenant Vehue was listed by the War Department as wounded somewhere in the European theater of operations. A more recent report indicated that he is one of several Americans who received 30-day furloughs in this country. Vehue served in the Sixth Armored Division of the Third Army.

Corporal Kelly who fought the Japs on Saipan was wounded August 4 in Tinian, according to a Navy Department release. A graduate of Central High School, he enlisted in the Marines in September 1942 and was sent to the Pacific last January. His brother, Army Corp. John D. Kelly, who is stationed at Fort Belvoir, Va., is a veteran of overseas service, his mother said.

Radioman Summers suffered broken ankles November 12 during service in the Pacific and is now in a hospital. He joined the Navy September 14, 1942, while employed at the Washington Navy Yard and has been on foreign duty for more than a year. Born in Statesville, N. C., he came to Washington with his parents at the age of 5.

Gorham Recovering in England

Private Gorham, now recovering in an Army hospital in England, suffered wounds in the left hand from Nazi shellfire while protecting glider troops landing in Holland. Employed here as a truck driver Private Gorham joined the Army in March 1943. Two brothers in Army service are James, stationed in Florida, and Howard, in England.

Private Hamilton was wounded October 2 in Holland and is recuperating in a hospital in England, according to information received by his wife from the War Department. An infantryman, he entered the Army last March and went overseas in August. He is a former Capital Transit Co. employe and the father of four children. His mother, Mrs. Edith M. Hamilton, lives on Scully dr., Silver Spring, Md.

Private Pincus is in a rehabilitation center in England, now that he has recovered from wounds suffered October 2 while fighting in France. He was enrolled in the Army Specialized Training Program at Maryland University before going overseas seven months ago.

Private Burke, who worked as a plumber before his induction in January, was wounded October 7 in Germany. He is a native of Fauquier County, Va., and attended Washington-Lee High School in Arlington. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Burke, and his two children live at the Piedmont street address.

Wounded in the left thigh while setting up an antitank gun during an attack near Aachen, Private Schlosser now is in an Army hospital in England. He is a former Department of Justice employe and serves as an antitank cannoneer in the First Army. Since going overseas last May, Schlosser saw action in France on D-Day and fought in Belgium, his mother revealed. He is a graduate of McKinley Tech High School.

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quarters that it was a perfect target for fighter-bombers.

The C-47 mission was carried out without any fighter escort.

More than 200 of the big transports, unarmed and unarmored, took part in the supply operation and headquarters of the troop carrier forces reported losses were "far lower than might have been expected."

One observer who made the flight said he saw American columns pushing near Bastogne and that "now it appeared our men were resuming the offensive. This was an entirely different ground situation than on our first mission Saturday. Then it seemed a situation of impending disaster.""

The majority of the parachuted cargo consisted of artillery shells, rolls of telephone wire for restoring communications and cases of rations. There was room also for cigarettes, gum, candy and GI messages of Christmas cheer.

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clinching Administration leadership of both committees.

Five Most Important Choices

By far the most important selections in the January reshuffle will be the five men (three Democrats and two Republicans) named to succeed the five noninterventionist members of the Foreign Relations Committee defeated in the fall primaries and elections.

For the first time since the war's start the Administration leadership has high hopes of reorganizing this committee key to the peace with a clear Administration majority, but seniority claims outweigh all others in selections to the group, and one or more of the five seats may go to a former isolationist.

In seniority, Wheeler stands second only to one other Democratic non-member of the committee. He indicated yesterday he would definitely like to have one of the five places, but had not yet decided whether to make a fight for it. Wheeler probably would have to give up one of the major committee assignments he now holds to become eligible.

Hatch, Fulbright Lack Seniority

Other Democrats who have shown "interest" in the Foreign Relations vacancies include Senator Carl A. Hatch (N. Mex.), one of the leaders of the crusading "B-2 H-2" block of Senators seeking strong Senate foreign policy commitments, but Hatch is far down the list in seniority.

At the bottom of the list is another strong advocate of world organization for peace, who has asked for a place on the committee. He is Senator-elect J. William Fulbright (D., Ark.), author of the House Fulbright resolution for lasting peace.

A meeting of the Senate Republican Committee on Committees yesterday reached no hard and fast recision on the two Republican vacancies, but one of the two Republican seats is almost certain to go to Senator Styles Bridges (R., N. H.) former interventionist who turned bitterly critical of Administration foreign policy.

Others Following in Rank

Next in rank comes a group of five Republicans who entered the Senate at the same time. Only one of these—Senator Robert A. Taft (R., Ohio)—has declined to make any bid for a Foreign Relations committee post. Two others (Clyde M. Reed of Kansas and Charles W. Tobey of New Hampshire) may be disqualified by a Republican rule taht no two members of the party from the same State serve on the same committee.

That would leave Senator Chan Gurney (R., S. Dak.), friendly to past Administration foreign policy moves, and the isolationist Wiley, still in the race. Due to two technicalities, Gurney was given the best chance to get the assignment (1) Alphabetically, (even this is a factor in committee assignments), he leads the list; (2) although not of the same party, another Senator from Wileys' Wisconsin is already a member of the Foreign Relations committee—Senator Robert M. LaFollette, jr. (P).

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ber 22-27, when they tried to drive into Leyte Gulf and destroy the American beachheads on Leyte, invadedded October 20.

Cost Japs 58 Warships

That action cost the Japanese 58 warships sunk or damaged, including 2 battleships and 4 aircraft carriers sunk, and 7 battleships and 7 heavy cruisers damaged. The classes of the battleship and cruiser bombarding Mindoro was not disclosed so it was impossible to determine if either was among those damaged earlier.

Destruction of 3 destroyers ran to 30 the number of destroyers or destroyer escorts sunk by planes and warships of MacArthur's Southwest Pacific Command, exclusive of those bagged in the Philippines Sea battle. Twenty-seven were sunk during Japanese attempts to reinforce Leyte Island.

Today's bulletin also reported that heavy bombers battered Clark Field, 47 miles northwest of Manila, on Tuesday, the fourth assault on it in six days. It reported that a total of 124 planes now have been destroyed in attacks Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

In the mopping-up operations on Leyte, a total of 827 Japanese were killed Tuesday.

Rotary Bond Sale Tops 15 Millions

More than 15 million dollars worth of war bonds were sold by local Rotary Club members in the Sixth War Bond drive, it was announced at the club luncheon at the Willard Hotel yesterday.

The meeting was highlighted with entertainment by Robert Nicholson, Australian baritone; Lynn Allison, singer at the Capitol Theater, and the floor show from the Shoreham Hotel. Don Bernard, business manager of The Post, arranged the program.

Bonomi Would Use Italian Troops

Rome, Dec. 27 (AP).—Premier Ivanoe Bonomi, declaring the German western front offensive clearly shows increased effort is necessary for "common victory," proposed today that more than 6 Italian divisions be thrown against the Germans in Italy, and that they fight on one sector as a national unit.

France to Sign United Nations Pact January 1

France will become the thirty-sixth member of the United Nations New Year's Day when it signs the United Nations declaration at a ceremony here, it was announced last night.

Monday will be the third anniversary of the pact, which embodies pledges to use all resources against members of the Axis and not to make a separate armistice or peace with them and also embodies principles set forth in the Atlantic Charter.

Representatives of the original 26 United Nations signed the declaration at the White House January 1, 1942. France will be the tenth nation to adhere to it since then.

Jeweler Makes $100 Gift To Junior Police Corps

Junior Police Corps members were sent a $100 gift yesterday by Samuel Schwartz, Washington jeweler. With the check, which will buy baseball gear, came the explanation that it was in memory of Edward Jones, a Negro employe with the Schwartz firm for 40 years, who was killed recently in an automobile accident.

One of the founders of Exter, N. H., the Rev. John Wheelwright, was a fellow-collegian of Oliver Cromwell at Cambridge, and local legend quotes the English leader as saying he had been more afraid of meeting Wheelwright at football than he was of meeting an army in the field.

Grin and Bear It

By Lichty

"I'm going out to wunchy—I'll be back at fwee!"

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the start of the war, 835 noncombatant enemy ships have been sent to the bottom by submersibles alone. These total more than 3,500,000 tons, or about one-half of the estimated prewar merchant fleet.

In releasing the communique at a news conference, Secretary Forrestal expressed "true regret" that considerations of security made it impracticable to detail all the accomplishments of the "silent service," the submarine fleet.

Referring specifically to the carrier sinking, however, he added that was "hitting one of the most painful spots on the Japanese body at the moment."

Two Others Probably Sunk

While yesterday's communique marked the first unqualified claim of a Japanese carrier sunk by submarines, two others have been reported previously as "probably sunk."

That record has been hung up with a reported loss to the submarine fleet of 33 ships, including 4 sunk, 27 overdue and presumed lost and 2 destroyed to prevent capture.

Ho Hum! The Bogarts Have Made Up Again

Hollywood, Dec. 27 (AP).—The Bogarts have made up again. Mayo Methot Bogart told reporters today that Humphrey, screen toughie, came home Christmas night and "naturally there will be no divorce."

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Allied Planes Pound Nazi Freight Yards

Fleet of 2500 Craft Hits Concentrations Of Germans' Materiel

London, Dec. 27 (AP).—At least 2500 Allied planes roaring over western Germany from bases in Britain and on the continent today showered explosives on 11 big freight yards clogged with traffic bound for Field Marshal Karl Gerd von Rundstedt's offensive in Belgium.

Flying through clear skies, more than 600 Liberators and Fortresses of the American Eighth Air Force, screened by 400 Mustangs and Thunderbolts, pounded Gerolstein, Euskirchen, Andernach and Homburg in the Bonn-Coblenz area, Kaiserlautern, west of Mannheim, and Fulda, 60 miles south of Kassel.

Five bombers and four fighters of the Eighth were missing, but two fighters were believed to have landed safely in friendly territory.

No Opposition in Air

A communique said the bombers encountered no aerial opposition and only meager to moderate flak.

One group of probably 45 Mustangs tangled with formations of 300 Messerschmitts and Fock-Wulfs prowling over the Bonn area, and shot down 29. Two other groups did ground strafing, destroying locomotives, freight cars and trucks near Trier and east of Bonn.

Clear weather over most of Belgium gave a free hand to fighter bombers of the Ninth Air Force based on the Continent and they lashed at three smaller railyards east of Merzig and another east of Prum. Three hundred sorties were made before noon and three planes were lost to flak.

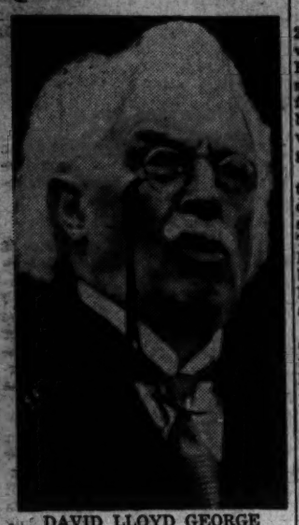
Ninth Air Force fighters destroyed five enemy planes, increasing the toll of the German air force, which is known to have lost more than 500 planes in six days.

In attacks directly supporting the ground troops, an ammunition dump in the Bastogne area was knocked out and 62 buildings near Liege were destroyed or damaged by dive bombing.

Following up this American blow at secondary supply centers behind the Nazi drive, an estimated 500 RAF Lancasters and a screening force of Spitfires dropped 2500 tons of bombs on rail yards at the Ruhr city of Rheydt, 15 miles west of Dusseldorf.

Heavy bombers of the United States Fifteenth Airforce in Italy struck at undisclosed strategic targets in the Vienna area and rail points handling supplies from Germany and Austria to the Italian front. An all-Negro Mustang fighter group escorted the Italian-based bombers.

World War I Chief Quits Public Life



DAVID LLOYD GEORGE

London, Dec. 27 (U.P.).—David Lloyd George, World War I Prime Minister and for 54 years a member of Commons, disclosed today that he is retiring from Parliament on the advice of his physicians. He will be 82 on January 17 and for several years his health has been somewhat impaired.

The announcement said the aged Liberal Party leader would not seek reelection in the next general election. Lloyd George has represented the Carnaryon (Wales) district in Parliament without a break since he was elected in 1890 by a margin of 18 votes, at the age of 27.

Called Father of Commons

Since 1929 he has been the "father" of Commons, unofficial title of the member with the longest service. No member of the House ever served so long without a break.

The "Welsh Wizard" will leave his family well represented in Parliament, however. His son, Maj. Gwilym Lloyd George, minister of fuel, has been member from Pembroke since 1922, except for the period 1924-29, and his daughter, Megan Lloyd George, has been member from Anglesey since 1929. All belong to the Liberal Party.

Although living in semi-retirement for a number of years, Lloyd George kept his memory fresh with the public through his war memoirs and other writings and by occasionally popping up to criticize the government.

Married His Secretary

Last year "L. G.," as he is known to his intimates, married his secretary, Frances Louise Stevenson. His first wife died in 1941.

Recently it was reported that the aged statesman would be created an earl by King George in the New Year's honors list. In his active years he spurned elevation to the peerage.

Lloyd George got his great opportunity in World War I. As munitions minister, he remedied a serious shortage of shells. Then in 1916 he began pressing for a small, powerful "war cabinet" and for a Unified Allied command. On this issue he defeated Herbert Asquith and succeeded him as Prime Minister. He represented Britain at the Versailles Peace Conference where, with Woodrow Wilson, Georges Clemenceau and Vittorio Orlando, the "big four" made history. Of these, only Orlando survived with Lloyd George to see World War II and Orlando has been in retirement for many years.

Became Opposition Leader

Lloyd George continued as Prime Minister until 1922 when home rule for Ireland and a threat of war with Turkey brought down his coalition government. He then became leader of the opposition and was succeeded as Prime Minister by Bonar Law.

His career was a sensational progress from "rags to riches." He was 18 when his father, an elementary school headmaster, died. The family was taken in by Richard Lloyd, bootmaker brother of the mother. The boy decided at 14 he would be a lawyer and become one he did, being admitted as a solicitor in 1884.

Jury Compares Chaplin, Child and Mother

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

THE END OF HER CASE—Joan Berry's counsel in her paternity suit against Charlie Chaplin in a dramatic climax placed the screen actor, Miss Berry and her curly-haired baby before the jury for comparison, and then rested his case

Presidential Service Vote Was 2,800,000

By the Associated Press

Best estimates obtainable from election officials place the service vote in the recent presidential race at around 2,800,000.

This is far below the 3,392,000 estimated by State officers prior to the November 7 election. But it is a far greater percentage of the service strength than that recorded in the 1942 congressional election.

The total military and civilian vote this year was 47,971,156, corrected to date.

The only official figure available on potential voters in the armed services was that furnished by the Census Bureau. It listed males in uniform as of January 1, 1944, at 7,800,000. The actual figure is higher, considering the fighting growth since then women eligibles, and the fact that uniformed men and women as young as 18 are allowed to vote in Georgia.

Buy based on that total of 7,860,000, the 1944 estimate of the service vote is around 35 per cent. That compares with the less than one-half of one per cent who voted in the off-year elections in 1942. In a message to Congress last January urging a new Federal ballot law, President Roosevelt said only 28,000 out of 5,700,000 in the service voted two years ago.

Pending a more complete estimate of the military vote, official returns and estimates from 24 States yesterday placed it at 1,399,208.

Only five States broke down the vote by parties—Colorado, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island. They gave Roosevelt 293,328 and Dewey 207,063, or roughly three to two in the President's favor.

Here's the way the 24 States recorded or estimated their uniformed balloters: *Denotes estimate.

Alabama, *5000; Colorado, 28,348; Connecticut, *39,419; Florida, 27,492; Illinois, *200,000; Iowa, 47,362; Kansas, 30,597; Kentucky, *31,672; Maryland, 34,548; Minnesota, 62,517; Missouri, *79,277; Montana, 9340; Nebraska, 23,454; New Hampshire, 12,812; New Jersey, 160,329; New Mexico, 7032; North Carolina, 49,541; Ohio, 164,472; Oregon, 33,377; Pennsylvania, 255,226; Rhode Island, 23,100; Tennessee, 27,933; Virginia, 38,475; Wyoming, 7885. (Wyoming's total is incomplete.)

Here's how five States divided their service vote by parties:

Colorado— Roosevelt 14,419, Dewey, 13,386. Maryland—Roosevelt 21,317, Dewey 13,231. New Jersey—Roosevelt 95,581, Dewey 64,748. Pennsylvania — Roosevelt 146,820, Dewey 107,789. Rhode Island—Roosevelt 15,191; Dewey 7909.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Riggs

Funeral services and burial for Mrs. Elizabeth C. Riggs, 72, wife of Comdr. Arthur Stanley Riggs, USNR, who died Christmas at her residence, 3322 Newark st. nw., will be held today in Downington, Pa.

Pathologists Clear Chaplin In Hollywood Paternity Case

Los Angeles, Dec. 27 (AP).—A pathologist testified today in the Charles Chaplin paternity trial that from blood-grouping tests he concluded the 55-year-old comedian could not be the father of Joan Berry's baby.

In testimony admitted over the persistent objections of Miss Berry's counsel, Dr. Neston Evans declared he and two other physicians last spring took blood specimens from Chaplin, Miss Berry and Carol Ann Berry.

Tests, he said, showed red cells of Miss Berry's blood to be of type A, those of the child type B, and those of Chaplin type O. On the basis of scientific experience, the physicians decided Chaplin could not be the father because parents of type A and type O blood cannot produce a child of type B blood, Dr. Evans declared.

With charts, diagrams nad big words, Dr. Evans launched a dissertation upon laboratory methods by which red blood cells can be classified. He explained that cells of the one type will coagulate with cells of another type but may not mingle with cells of still another classification.

His conclusions were corroborated by Dr. Roy W. Hammack, a pathologist who testified his opinion that on the basis of the test, Chapln could not be Carol Ann's father.

Because Dr. V. L. Andrews, the third member of the trio of tseters, has just left a hospital and will be unable to appear before Friday, the trial was recessed until then.

In permitting the blood grouping testimony, Judge Henry M. Willis said:

"The crux of this matter is, did these three physicians take a drop of blood from this infant illegally? I find no act here which has invaded the rights of this baby. . . . The opinion of the doctors is not binding upon the jury, but shall be weighed by the jury."

Miss Berry, 23, alleges Carol Ann was conceived in ecember, 1942, and that Chaplin is the father.

Labor Urges War Law End In Virginia

A postwar program advocating immediate abolition of "war laws" at the close of the emergency period has been recommended to the Virginia Postwar Employment Committee by John Hopkins Hall, jr., Virginia commissioner of labor and American Federation of Labor representative on the committee appointed by Gov. Colgate W. Darden, jr.

J. Fred Kirchner of 1611 Duke St., Alexandria State Labor inspector for northern Virginia, who has received a copy of the commissioner's report, said yesterday that organizations in the area including the Alexandria Central Labor Union are in complete accord with Hall's view that Virginia labor wants labor law relaxations resulting from the war to be halted after the emergency.

Hall cited the lengthening of working hours for women and the relaxation of child labor laws as trends which should be checked. He declared also that labor groups believe that by lowering the age of eligibility for retirement, more jobs will be made available. Virginia labor will support a plan offering the right of optional retirement after a specified number of years of work with required retirement at 60 and increased weekly benefits, the commission said.

Other measures which labor in Virginia hopes to see brought about include: Passage of a boiler code by the Legislature modeled after that of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, because inferior boilers have caused a series of explosions in Virginia; a State-wide program of apprentice training resulting in extension of the present program to more firms; recognition of collective bargaining; an industrial safety code including a sanitary code; an increase in child labor law restrictions extending the minimum age requirement to 16 years.

Md. Farmers Urged to File Crop Reports

Maryland farmers have until February 15 to file performance reports on 1944 conservation programs, it was announced yesterday by Maryland Agricultural Adjustment Agency Chairman Joseph H. Blandford.

Those who have not filed these reports are urged to do so at once, so that any payments due may be made promptly, Blandford added. He said plans are now being considered to furnish limited supplies of superphosphate under the purchase plan in 1945.

Such a plan would allow all farmers to get this material at prices equivalent to, or below, the approved fair price, he said. Allocations will be made to counties.

Green Meadows Citizens

Newly elected officers of the Green Meadows Citizens' Association were announced yesterday as follows:

Porter M. Beale, president; George Shepp, vice president; Mrs. Beatrice Shepp, secretary, and Farrell Penland, treasurer. The group has voted to support a county-wide movement which proposes to aid unincorporated towns.

NLRB Chairman Compares Self To Baseball Ump.

Chairman Harry A. Millis of the National Labor Relations Board says he is like a baseball umpire who "calls 'em as a sees 'em."

He offered that description of himself to President William Green of the American Federation of Labor in reply to a contention by Green that the WLRB has been partial to the CIO.

Green told delegates to the recent AFL convention at New Orleans that he had written a "sharp letter" to Millis and that the chairman had replied, but details of the exchange were not disclosed until yesterday.

Green criticized the board's decision in the Western Union case, in which the WLRB divided the Nation into seven geographic areas for purposes of conducting a collective bargaining election, beginning January 2. The AFL commercial telegraphers union had insisted on a Nation-wide unit election, the CIO asked for the smaller divisions.

In his reply Millis wrote that "insofar as a conscientious man can know himself" he was not biased toward the AFL, CIO or any labor organization and "like Bill Klem, well known baseball umpire, "I calls 'em as a see 'em.'"

Captives Capitulate After Slim Rations

Fort George G. Meade, Md., Dec. 27 (AP).—A bread and water diet imposed on German war prisoners in a camp near Frederick, Md., for refusal to work yesterday brought from camp leaders a promise to work today, Army officials said.

The official said the prisoners protested when ordered to work that in Germany they get two days off for Christmas.

Mob Spreads Ruin in Detroit Ward Store

Detroit, Dec. 27 (U.P.).—Counters were broken, fixtures smashed, perfume splattered over the aisles and merchandise displays trampled when some 75 persons swept through the Montgomery Ward & Co. Dearborn store today in a 15-minute melee that caused damage estimated in the thousands of dollars.

A charge by Store Manager Roland Estabrook that union "goons" were responsible for the damage was countered by Roy Scoggins Michigan strike director, who said the violence resulted when "company-imported strike-breakers attempted to interfere with our peaceful picketing."

Two alleged "demonstration" ringleaders, Stanley Bukowsky, 45, Detroit, and William E. Smith, 32, Dearborn, were arrested by police, who said they would be charged with inciting riot or causing malicious damage. Neither, police said, had been a Ward employe.

Picketing at three other Ward stores in the Detroit area, where members of the United Retail Warehouse and Department Store Workers struck December 9 over company refusal to obey War Labor Board wage and contract directives, continued without incident.

Dearborn Police Chief Irving Neilson said that the strike demonstrators surged into the store, located across the street from his headquarters, at 11 a. m. while but few policemen were on duty.

"The mob did the damage and cleared out of the store before we could get reinforcements across the street," Neilson said.

Company executvies said the damage amounted to "several thousand dollars," but declined to make a more specific estimate pending completion of an inventory.

U. S. Warships Shell Iwo Jima Second Time

Pearl Harbor, Dec. 27. (U.P.).—Warships of the U. S. Pacific Fleet, slugging it out with Japanese coastal guns in another foray into enemy home waters, shelled Iwo Jima in the Volcano Group Tuesday for the second time in four days, Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced today.

Fleet units blasted enemy coastal defenses, airstrips and installations. The American salvos drew retaliatory fire from the Japanese shore batteries, which the communique revealed, inflicted "slight damage" on two U. S. vessels.

The fleet steamed in close to the island, only 750 miles southeast of Tokyo, and found the garrison alerted by 20 consecutive days of air raids and a December 23 surface bombardment.

Targets at Iwo Jima included a Japanese gunboat and a landing ship. The gunboat was blown up by shellfire hits, and the landing ship was set afire.

As in the previous fleet assault on Iwo Jima, Lieut. Gen. Millard F. Harmon's Pacific Strategic Air Forces joined the surface units with a coordinated operation, hitting the island with a bombardment from the skies.

On Christmas Day, the communique said, Liberators carried out their nineteenth consecutive attack on Iwo Jima's airstrips. Several B-24s sustained minor damage from antiaircraft fire, but all of them returned safely.

Jolson Still Gaining

Beverly Hills, Calif., Dec. 27 (AP). Al Jolson, blackface singer continued to improve today from a recurrence of malaria he contracted on an overseas entertainment tour, his physician reported.

Bridges Appeals For High Court Review of Case

Harry Bridges, CIO labor leader on the west coast, asked the Supreme Court yesterday to review legal proceedings in his fight against deportation as an alien.

Attorney General Biddle ordered Bridges reported to his native Australia in May, 1942. Biddle then said Bridges was a member of the Communist party and stated the party advocated "violent overthrow of the United States government." Bridges denied he is or has been a Communist.

The Longshoremen's executive told the Supreme Court that evidence relied upon by Biddle "is only the debris of an elaborate and ambitious structure built upon the testimony of witnesses most of whom were the dregs of the waterfront, and whom the government should have quickly recognized as such."

The Supreme Court will announce later whether it will consider Bridges' case.

Hungarian Setup Praised in Russia

Moscow, Dec. 27 (AP).—The Soviet press, breaking its editorial silence on Hungary's political reconstruction, praised the new provisional government under Col. Gen. Bela Miklos today as enjoying "the overwhelming support" of the Hungarian people.

The commentator Konstantin Hoffman stressed that the cabinet named by the provisional national assembly at Debrecen included prominent military, scientific and political figures.

North Carolina is the only State that has filled every blank in the census of farm products, yielding all the crops grown in both northern and southern sections of the United States.

Funeral Held For Former Senator Lee

Final tribute to former Senator Blair Lee, 87, of Maryland, first Senator elected in Maryland by direct vote of the people, was paid yesterday at funeral services in Grace Episcopal Church, Silver Spring, Md., where he had served as a vestryman for nearly 40 years.

Approximately 200 persons attended the church services conducted by the Rev. Walter Gale, rector, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Alexander C. Zabriskie, dean of the Virginia Seminary, a former schoolmate of the Senator's younger son, Blair Lee of Philadelphia. Dr. Zabriskie also offered prayers at the home of his other son, Lieut. Col. E. Brooke Lee, at Norwood, near Sandy Spring, Md., where Senator Lee died Monday night.

Prominent in Maryland legal and political circles for 60 years, Senator Lee served in the United States Senate from 1913 until 1917. A member of one of Maryland's oldest families, he was born in Silver Spring, the home of his parents, Rear Admiral and Mrs. Samuel Phillips Lee.

Rev. John G. Shirley Accepted as Chaplain

Charles Town, W. Va., Dec. 27 (Spl.)—The Rev. John G. Shirley, son of Mrs. George P. Shirley, this city was advised yesterday he had been accepted by the Army as a chaplain and ordered to report to Camp Devens, Mass., January 1. He has been rector of St. Stephens Episcopal Church in Beckley, W. Va., for several years.

Scarf, Undershirt Help D. C. Officers Repel Nazi Attack

A Washington colonel's dress scarf and undershirt were among the improvised devices used to clean automatic weapons repeatedly choked with mud during seven straight days of fighting continuous German counterattacks on Mt. Battaglia in Northern Italy.

He is Col. James C. Fry, whose wife lives at 4801 Connecticut ave. nw., and who is commander of the famed 350th Infantry Regiment of the 88th "Blue Devil" Division.

Colonel Fry was wounded, and awarded the second highest military honor, the Distinguished Service Cross, for heroism.

Other men from the Washington area in Coloney Fry's regiment are: Pfc. Lindsay M. Brawner, 1351 Girard st. nw., an automatic rifleman; Pfc. Isaac Chandler, 1423 R st. nw., rifleman; and Pvt. Herman E. Luttrell, 4407 Oral st ne., scout.

Man Pleads Not Guilty To Theft of Cigars

George Bernard Butler, 27, Negro, of 3210 Georgie ave. nw., pleaded not guilty yesterday to charges of stealing $375 worth of cigars from a warehouse, and was held for the grand jury by United States Commissioner Needham C. Turnage.

FBI agents said they arrested Butler last week while he was selling the cigars in downtown Washington for 50 cents each.

National Income Sets Record With Estimate of 159 Billion

By the Associated Press

The national income broke all records again in 1944, stepping up to approximately 159 billion dollars, the Commerce Department announced yesterday.

But, it added, the Nation now has passed the peak of its wartime economic activity.

Business hit the top early in the year and leveled off. Commerce Department experts don't think 1945 will be as active.

Official Estimates Listed

Here are official estimates for 1944—all new records:

1. "National product," 197 billion dollars. This is the total value of goods and services produced. In 1943 it was 186.5 billion and in 1933 only 88.6 billion.

2. "National income," 159 billion dollars. This is defined as all income earned by individuals through participation in production (wages, salaries, dividends, interest). Last year it was 147.9 billion. In 1939 it was 70.8 billion.

3. "Income payments to individuals," 155 billion dollars. In some ways this is a better economic yardstick than "national income" because it consists of money actually received by individuals. It doesn't include the retained earnings of corporations, but it does include Social Security benefits and payments to dependents of servicemen, which aren't a part of "national income."

85 Billion for War

Income payments last year were 142.3 billion. In 1939 they happened to be the same as national income, 70.8 billion.

A Commerce Department economist broke down the 1944 figure of 197 billion dollars in "national product" this way:

War purchases—85 billion.

Consumer spending—96.6 billion (a new record).

Governmental nonwar spending—13 billion.

"Private capital formation"—2.6 billion.

(Total—197.2 billion.)

"Private capital formation" is a technical term for such items as private construction, private purchases of machinery and other producers' goods, and changes in business inventories and foreign trade balance.

The Commerce Department said that net income of farm operators and other unincorporated business showed only small gains over 1943.

Rankin Seeks To Perpetuate Dies Commmittee

By the Associated Press

Continuation of the Dies Committee, scheduled to expire at midnight, January 2, was urged, yestreday by Representative Rankin (D., Miss.).

Rankin announced he would introduce a resolution to continue the committee, created in 1938, when Congress reconvenes next Wednesday. He said in a statement:

"While our young men are fighting and dying all over the world for the preservation of this country, I submit it is no time for Congress to relax its vigilance or shirk its responsibilities in protecting the Nation from those subversive influences that are continuously plotting the overthrow of this Government."

The House leadership has indicated it will not support a move to continue the body. Representative Dies (D., Tex.), did not seek reelection.

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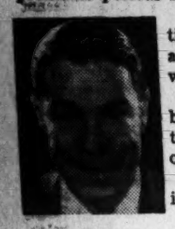
Nelson B. Bell About the Showshops

New Year Amusement Outlook Is Opulent; Notes of the Theater

JUST A WORD of warning.

As we have remarked here many times before, the New Year holiday—teamed perhaps with Labor Day—is one of the year's most profitable periods for the theaters.



JOE E. BROWN

That is how it comes about that, with two exceptions, all of the picture houses in the downtown area—the Palace and Little are the exceptions—will be changing their bills this weekend.

As a former practioner of the hectic business of bartering amusement to the public, I should say that this is an eminently smart move on the part of the managements.

I also should say that it is a brutal maneuver insofar as the drama desks are concerned.

You know the current shortages as well as I do—manpower, paper, time, energy and whatever.

Now then, how do you get all these shows covered? Simple problem. You merely round up yourself—the toughest job on the list—your present right arm, Sonia Stein and Mary Harris and there you are.

That is, there you are except for "The Sign of the Cross" at the Metropolitan.

We might give you a fair notion of that, even so, based on Cecil B. DeMille's confidences relating to the matter, 'way back yonder when he was here with "The Story of Dr. Wassell." They are no longer confidences.

However, the main point of all this is that today "Hollywood Canteen" will be opening at the Earle, with more stars in it than you can shake a stick at, in case you happen to be a stick-shaker-atter—Jack Benny, the Andrews Sisters, Joe E. Brown, Kitty Carlisle, Joan Crawford, Eddie Cantor, are only a few of them—at the Capitol. Abbott and Costello will be breaking out their latest "Harem" adventures, and at RKO-Keith's, Bob Hope, supported by one of Samuel Goldwyn's illustrious casts will be revealing what goes on between "The Princess and the Pirate." This, all added up, I should say, ought to be something definitely in the direction of a happy New Year—for everybody but the drayma desks. Even they might get a kick out of it. You never can tell.

It seems we were a little premature—or somebody was. When we announced here yesterday that "Glad to See You" was coming into the National for two weeks beginning January 9, it was on the basis of solid assurances to that effect. Then it evolves that the show is not, and probably will not be, ready on the specified date—owing principally to the magnitude of the production—and a cancellation comes through. This would be very discouraging, save for the fact that almost simultaneously arrives word that on January 8, for one week, the National will have Mary Astor—one of our favorite persons—and Neil Hamilton in "Many Happy Returns." If you are still along, it may be interesting to know that on January 21, E Street will be playing Lou Holtz and Benny Fields in "Star Time," and that from January 29 to February 4, the bill will be the Shuberts' revival of "The Merry Widow."

The "Command Performance"

"A Bell for Adano" will be presented in the National Theater the night of January 28, as the initial attraction in observation of the President's birthday celebrations.

There is reasonable assurance that I am correct on this one. It comes straight from the fellow who should know.

My estimable professional associate, Andrew R. Kelley, chairman of Commissioner Young's entertainment committee for the celebrations, fresh back from his New York scouting, calls up to say that after a survey of the crop of Broadway attractions, "A Bell for Adano" struck him as being the most judicious selection. So that is what it is.

Dramatized from Paul Hervey's book, the piece has Fredric March as its star, which should be a high recommendation to Washington audiences. I cannot recall a time when Mr. March ever let the Capital down, on either stage or screen.

There seems to be no reason why any serviceman should be moved by a spirit of desolation in his contemplation of New Year's Eve in the Capital of the Nation. Catholic USO officials have rigged up one of the most horrendous affairs in the history of Washington diversion for his enjoyment on this gala night. The thing will take the form of a dance at Uline Arena at which I don't know how many syncopating feet can be accommodated—a guess would be somewhere in the neighborhood of 8000 to 10,000. There will be music enough to surfeit the most receptive ears. Hostesses, too. Those wishing to serve in this capacity may register at any of the Catholic USO units. Distinguished guests will be in attendance.

A vagrant guess would be that the next issue of the March of Time ought to be interesting. It bears the title of "The Unknown Battle." What it attempts to do—and one judges with some success—is answer the question, "Where was the Luftwaffe on D-Day?" The Luftwaffe, the implication is, was pretty thoroughly knocked into a cocked hat, or whatever kind of hat it is into which defunct Nazi units are deposited. That is the general idea. It is executed by depicting in what manner heroic American and British fliers tore into the Germans and gave them what for, both in the air and on the ground. Should see.

Getting-Slightly-Irksome Note

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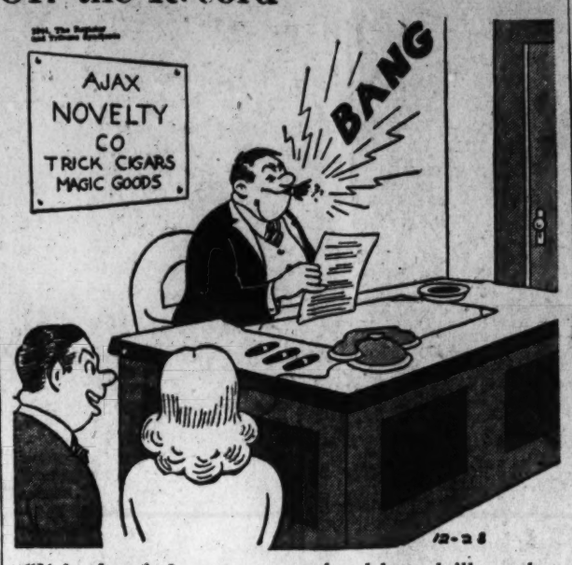
By Ed Reed



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7:00 Early Bird.
8:00 News.
8:05 Early Bird.
8:45 Family Altar.
9:00 Organ Melodies.
9:30 Man with a Band.
10:00 News, B. Repaid.
10:15 Morning Devotions.
10:30 Shady Valley Folks.
11:00 News; Arthur Gaeth.
11:15 Saddle Pals.
11:45 Health Talk.
11:50 Interlude.
AFTERNOON.
12:15 Music in the Letter Vein.
12:30 U. S. Navy Band.
1:00 Ray Dady.
1:15 Terry's House Party.
1:30 Stone and Brito.
1:45 American Woman's Jury.
2:00 Cedric Foster.
2:15 Saddle Pals.
2:30 Open House.
3:00 Morton Downey.
3:15 Palmer House Orch.
3:30 The Smoothies.
3:45 Time Was.
4:05 Romantic Cycle.
4:15 Johnson Family.
4:30 Zeb Carver.
4:45 Handy Man.
5:00 Bandstand.
5:15 Interlude.
5:30 Superman.
5:45 Tom Mix.
EVENING.
6:00 News; Sports.
6:15 Tunes for Today.
6:30 Candlelight and Silver.
7:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
7:15 Musical Party.
7:30 Confidentially Yours.
7:45 Organ.
8:00 F. Singiser.
8:15 Sunny Skylar.
8:30 Prevue.
9:00 Gabriel Heatter
9:15 To Be Announced.
9:30 Joan Davis.
10:00 Henry Gladstone.
10:15 Front Page Drama.
10:30 Army Air Forces.
11:00 Music; Sports.
11:30 Sign Off.
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THURSDAY

MORNING.
6:00 Signon; Uncle Joe.
6:45 Cordwood.
7:05 News; Sunrise Salute.
8:00 News of the World.
8:15 Do You Remember?
8:30 Coffee Club.
8:45 Morning Devotions.
9:15 School of the Air.
9:45 This Life Is Mine.
10:00 News; Music.
10:15 Cordwood.
10:30 Changing World.
10:45 Gospel Songs.
11:00 Tom and Herb.
11:45 Doc Williams.
11:30 Bright Horizon.
11:45 Farm Time with Uncle Joe.
AFTERNOON.
12:00 News.
12:15 Big Sister.
12:30 Helen Trent.
12:45 Our Gal Sunday.
1:00 Old Familiar Hymns
1:30 Millie and Mollie.
1:45 Doc Williams.
2:00 Dixie Rogers.
2:30 Tom and Herb.
2:45 Wave Recruiting.
3:00 Mary Marlin
3:15 Music of Belgium.
3:30 Bob Trout. News.
3:45 High Places
4:00 The Rev. A. J. Tillman.
4:30 Raymond Scott Show.
5:00 Sing Along Club.
5:15 Name You Will Remember.
5:30 Tin Soldier.
5:45 Sports Parade.
EVENING.
6:00 News.
6:15 Calling Pan America.
6:45 Dinner Music.
7:15 Music That Satisfies.
7:30 Light Music.
7:45 Jungle Jim.
8:00 Yours for the Asking.
8:30 Emil Cote Choristers.
9:00 Major Bowes
9:30 Broadway Bandwagon.
10:00 The First Line.
10:30 Music to Read By.
11:00 World News Analysis.
11:15 Jean Brooks, Songs.
11:30 Viva America.
12:00 News.
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THURSDAY

MORNING.
7:30 Music.
8:00 Martin Agronsky.
8:15 Your Life Today.
8:30 News Summary.
8:45 Morning Devotions.
9:00 Breakfast Club.
10:00 True Story
10:30 Name the Tune.
10:45 Listening Post.
11:00 Breakfast at Sardi's.
11:30 Gil Martyn. News.
11:45 Gossip for Girls.
AFTERNOON.
12:00 Hit Band of the Day.
12:15 Today's Hit; Luncheon Dancing.
12:30 Farm and Home Hour.
1:00 Baukage. News.
1:15 Lum 'n Abner.
1:30 Concert Hall.
2:00 News, Kiernan.
2:15 Hollywood Show.
2:30 Candi Cromwell.
2:45 Money Man.
3:00 Morton Downey.
3:15 Hollywood Star Time.
3:30 Vogue Show.
4:00 Ethel and Albert.
4:15 Mary Washington College.
4:30 Time Views the News.
4:45 Hop Harrigan.
5:00 Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 Dick Tracey.
5:30 Jack Armstrong.
5:45 Capt. Midnight.
EVENING.
6:00 Melody Time.
6:30 Sign Off.
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THURSDAY

MORNING.
6:30 Rev. Maiden.
6:45 News.
7:00 Red Belcher.
7:15 Trading Post.
7:30 News.
7:45 Plough Boys.
8:00 Curley Joe.
8:15 Smiles.
8:30 Lee Moore.
9:00 Kitchen Frolic.
9:30 Johnson Trio.
9:45 Mixing Bowl.
10:00 Buddy Starcher.
10:30 Treasury Salute.
10:45 Woman's Page.
11:0- News.
11:15 Reed Organ.
11:30 Lee Moore.
AFTERNOON.
12:00 News and Juanita.
12:15 V. Farmers.
12:30 News.
12:45 Markets.
1:00 Lee Moore.
1:15 Campfire Roundup.
2:00 News.
2:15 Town Crier.
2:30 Buddy Starcher.
3:00 Lee Moore.
3:30 News.
3:45 Afternoon Varieties.
4:00 Road of Life.
4:15 Life Can Be Beautiful.
4:30 Ma Perkins.
4:45 News.
5:00 Story Lady.
5:15 Jimmy Allen.
5:30 Hayden Family.
5:45 News
6:00 Sign Off.
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THURSDAY

MORNING.
7:30 Morning Clock.
8:00 War Journal.
8:15 Records.
8:30 News.
8:45 Morning Devotions.
9:00 Breakfast Club.
10:00 True Story
10:30 Martinsburg Wheel.
10:45 Listening Post.
11:00 Breakfast at Sardi's.
11:30 News.
AFTERNOON.
12:00 Music.
12:30 Farm and Home.
1:00 Baukhage.
1:15 Radio Bible School.
1:45 Little Jack Little.
2:00 News.
2:15 Mystery Chef.
2:30 Ladies, Be Seated.
3:00 Morton Downey.
3:15 Star Time.
3:30 Appointment With Life.
4:00 Blue Frolics
4:15 The Rev. Harry James.
4:30 News.
4:45 Sea Hound.
5:00 Terry and Pirates.
5:15 Dick Tracy.
5:30 Jack Armstrong.
5:45 Captain Midnight.
EVENING.
6:00 Hit Tune.
6:15 That's My Name.
6:30 Evening Reveries.
6:45 Henry Taylor. News
7:00 Blondie.
7:15 Modern Romances.
7:30 Concert Hall.
8:00 News.
8:15 Lum and Abner.
8:30 Town Meeting.
9:30 Spotlight Band.
10:00 Raymond Gram Swing.
10:15 Tony Dalton.
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THURSDAY

MORNING.
7:00 Musical Clock.
7:25 News.
7:30 Musical Clock.
7:55 News.
8:00 Martin Agronsky.
8:15 Morning Melodies.
8:30 News.
8:45 Lucky Lady.
9:00 Breakfast Club.
10:00 My True Story
10:30 Sunny Side of the Street.
10:45 Listening Post.
11:00 Breakfast at Sardi's.
11:30 News Summary.
11:45 Jack Berch.
AFTERNOON.
12:00 Glamour Manor.
12:30 Devotions
12:45 Town Crier.
1:00 News. Baukhage.
1:45 Show Tune Time.
2:00 Kiernan-News.
2:15 The Mystery Chef.
2:30 Ladies Be Seated.
3:00 Morton Downey.
3:15 20th Century Serenade.
3:45 Sincerely Yours.
4:00 "Time" Views News.
4:15 Easy Rhythm.
4:30 Christmas Stories.
4:45 Hop Harrigan.
5:00 Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 Dick Tracy.
5:30 Jack Armstrong.
5:45 Rhythm Roundup.
EVENING.
6:00 News; Music.
6:15 Texas Rangers.
6:30 News; Music.
6:45 Henry J. Taylor.
7:00 Fred Waring.
7:30 Longines Symphonette.
8:15 Lum and Abner.
8:30 America's Town Meeting.
9:30 Spotlight Bands.
10:00 Raymond Gram Swing.
10:15 Andy Russell.
10:30 March of Time.
11:00 Music You Want.
11:30 Norman Cordon Sings.
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Fire Destroys Bethesda House

Fire, caused by a short circuit, yesterday gutted the three-room frome bungalow occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ritchie, River rd., and Wilson Lane, Bethseda, Md.

The couple, asleep when fire brike out, were awakened by smoke and escaped without injury. The Bethseda Fire Department extinguished the blaze and saved the couple's living room furniture. Damage to the building, owned by David Hendricks, was estimated at $600.

LEONARD LYONS

Broadway Potpourri

New York, Dec. 27.—Last Christmas, Ethel Colt, daughter of Ethel Barrymore, presented a wooden music-box colt to her 6-year-old neighbor, Mike Janeway, son of Eliot and Elizabeth Janeway. Miss Colt, who can sing, liked the pun: "A musical colt from a musical Colt." Mike glanced at the gift, then rushed inside and produced another musical colt, twice the size of Miss Colt's gift. It was a present to him from Bishop Shiel . . . This Christmas Miss Colt took no chances. She gave Mike a set of recordings of his favorite songs. Miss Colt made the recordings herself, and finished them with a sign-off: "I hope the good Bishop hasn't learned how to sing."

ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT

Col. Elliott Roosevelt brought his bride, Faye Emerson, to the Stork Club. He confessed that when he went to Hollywood he didn't know that she would marry him. They had been corresponding regularly while he was in Europe. Bing Crosby brought Roosevelt's love letters to her from France . . . Moss Hart invited Billy Rose to see the movie about the St. Louis Fair, "Meet Me in St. Louis." Rose replied: "It hurts me to see a fair from which I didn't make a buck" . . . Donald Kirkley, veteran drama critic for the Baltimore Sun, will have his play, "Happily Ever After," produced by Barney Klawans. The critic's sole stipulation was that the play must not have any try-out performances in Baltimore.

Lady Mendl had a birthday party last week, but refused to tell her guests how old she is. Earlier in the day she followed her usual routine of walking her dog in the park. She unleashed him for a while and permitted him to romp. A policeman saw her do this and prepared to give her a summons . . . "Oh, I'm sorry," said Lady Mendl, the former Elsie de Wolfe, who has spent so many years abroad. "I'm terribly sorry," she said, in a foreign accent, "but you see, officer, I haven't been here long." . . . "Ma'am," replied the cop, "I was brought up in Gramercy Park, near where you live. You can't kid me with that accent."

Senator Hattie Caraway, defeated for reelection, expects to remain in Washington with the Department of Agriculture . . . The artist group here learned this week that Lissitzky, the eminent Russian artist and head of the famous Constructionist School, died in Moscow in 1941 . . . H. V. Kaltenborn took two flashlights with him he went to Europe as part of his emergency equipment. Then, during a broadcast from Paris, the studio lights went out suddenly. Kaltenborn groped for his flashlights, pressed the button and there, 3000 miles away from the purchase place, the first time he tried them, they didn't work.

Sylvia Porter, the New York Post's financial editor, made a speech before the Bankers Club recently. She told them that she would not discuss finance because they evidently were fully acquainted with the subject. Miss Porter selected foreign trade in relation to war as her topic. "This is elementary," she began in advocating freer exchange of products between the nations. "When goods do not cross borders, armies will."

Americans who have been living at the Hotel Ritz in Paris report that the hotel supplied no heat until the Soviet delegation registered there. When the delegation left, the heat was again was cut off, until the touring members of the House Military Affairs Committee checked in . . . Maury Maverick, who startled Washington's agencies by ordering a simplification of words used in Government memos, has ordered another improvement. He warned all his employes that if any memo contains a sentence longer than 25 words, he'll throw it into the basket . . . H. A. Mills, Chairman of the NLRB, is expected to retire in two months.

Jan Karski, the Polish author of the new and exciting "Story of a Secret State," has been apartment hunting here. At 3 a. m. on Sunday he read the classified ads and noticed one which seemed ideal for him. Karski telephoned immediately. He apologized to the lady who answered for calling at such a late hour. "But I am desperate, and I'm afraid if I waited the apartment would be gone," Karski explained. . . . "Sir, by your accent I can tell you're a foreigner," said the lady. "I must tell you that in this country it's not polite to phone a strange woman at 3 o'clock in the morning. And besides, I rented the apartment a half-hour ago."

Some diplomats who were discussing England's policy with relation to Italy and Greece, told of the Locarno conference, where France's Briand sat besides Britain's Austin Chamberlain. "This is a historic day for all of us," Briand said to Chamberlain. "Your country has discovered that France is not an island." . . . Rosel Hyde, assistant general for the Federal Communications Commission, is the favorite to be named a member of the commission. This appointment must go to a Republican, and Hyde is a member of the GOP. . . . The Affiliated Young Democrats will publish a quarterly magazine next year. . . . "Orson Welles' Almanac," his five times a week column, starts in the New York Post on January 22.

At his last press conference the President referred to columnists as an "unnecessary excrescence." Mr. Roosevelt was just being subdolous . . . Senators Burton and Tunnell, of the Senate War Investigating Committee, are slated to go to Africa within the next few days.

Mayor LaGuardia confided to some friends that no matter how often he's attended the ballet he just can't get to like it. "But don't you enjoy its rhythm, its beauty, its artistry?" he was asked . . . "Yes," said Fiorello, "but when I sit at the ballet I have a hard time keeping score. I just can't tell who's ahead."

Bethesda Collision Of Car, Bus Hurts 2

Two persons were injured yesterday in Bethseda, Md., when a Capital Transit Co. bus and an automobile collided at Old Georgetown rd., and Bradley Lane.

Dr. Raymond M. Hann, 41, of 5312 32nd st. nw., of the D. C. Public Health Department, suffered a concussion. Also injured was Etta Mullens, Negro, 71, of 1320 R st. nw., a passenger in the bus. She suffered a broken rib.

Donald S. Howard, 41, Gaithersburg, Mr., driver of the bus, escaped injury.

Pastor Gets Auto Gift

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec.. 27.—The Rev. J. L. Rogers, pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Tabler, Tuscarora and Shanghai, this county, had a new 1942 coupe today—gift of his congregations at Christmas—to replace the 1929 coupe he has been driving all these years to keep his pastoral appointments. The 1942 model was the lastest that could be bought, he was advised.

Montgomery Red Cross

Annual meeting for election of officers of the Montgomery County Chapter of the American Red Cross has been set for January 17, at the Women's Club of Chevy Chase, Connecticut ave. and Dunlop st., Maj. L. L. Dye, chapter chairman, announced yesterday. All persons who have paid their membership are eligible to vote, Major Dye said.

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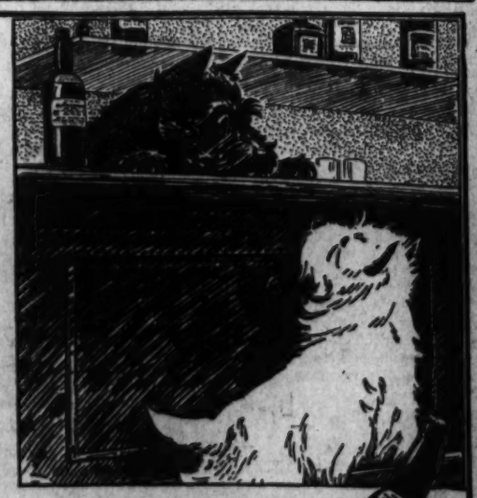
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Today and Tomorrow

By Walter Lippmann

Mr. Welles And The Reason Why

MR. SUMNER WELLES lays the political differences among the Allies to the failure of the Administration "to insist" upon establishing a United Nations Council to deal with political problems. There was, however, a reason why the Administration could not insist upon, and did not even desire, such a council to deal with political problems. The reason was that being a member of the council the United States Government would then have had to make up its mind definitely on a series of political issues which, as a matter of principle as well as of expediency, it wished to postpone until the war was over.

LIPPMANN

This policy of postponement—which Mr. Welles himself helped to formulate—has made it impossible for the United States to take that "leadership" in establishing the council which Mr. Welles has been advocating. For the council would have had to make decisions on the very issues which it was our policy to leave unsettled until after the war, namely frontiers, the status and powers of provisional governments in liberated countries, and the military relationships of states within the same strategic neighborhood. These are the issues which a council would have had to decide. These are the issues which, because they are unsettled or are being settled badly by "unilateral" action, now impair the solidarity of the United Nations.

THE UNITED STATES, then, could not insist upon a political council because it was insisting on not settling the questions that a council would have had to deal with. Thus we took our stand on the principle that disputed territory should remain in dispute, unless settled by voluntary agreement, until the war was over. As long as that was our principle, a council could not have decided such disputes. The proposal for a council has been meaningless and a contradiction in terms until we were willing to enter the council and take the responsibility of judging and deciding such vexed issues. For all that we had to contribute to them was the negative principle that they should not, or at least need not, be decided now, and the vague promise that at some indefinite date in the dim future they could be settled justly.

We took our stand also on the principle that we favored only democratically elected governments in liberated countries. This excellent principle was totally irrelevant to the real problem which has presented itself in many, if not all, of the liberated countries. For the real problem is how to constitute a government immediately—before it is possible to hold elections—how to constitute a provisional government to administer the country, to restore free discussion, and then to organize elections. In our effort to take no position on the character of that interim government—the government which must be set up before a democratic election can be held—we have simply evaded the practical issue. Unless we were willing to face and decide the practical issues, a council could not have faced and decided them.

THE ROOT of the trouble is that our official policy has been based on a radically false conception of war diplomacy—namely that it was possible and desirable to postpone the settlement of political issues until after the war. That has been why we could not take the leadership in establishing a United Nations council during the war. That also is why our own military planning and diplomacy are not integrated, and have developed in separate compartments.

For the basic reason why the War Department, the State Department, and the foreign economic agencies are not truly coordinated is that the State Department has been run on the theory that during the war it was auxiliary to the War Department and that after the war it would take charge of our foreign affairs. In essence the guiding rule of the State Department has been that the War Department conducted war and that the State Department will conduct the postwar peace.

THE CONCEPTION has been wrong. All the great strategical decisions of war are political as well as military: for example, the decision to invade the Philippines simultaneously with the invasion of Europe involved political as well as military considerations, and it has had gigantic political as well as military consequences. In that great decision the State Department should have been a principal, if only in order to be well aware of and well prepared for the effects of a delayed victory in Europe owing to the risk of dividing our forces and of operating in both theaters on a narrow margin of superiority.

The conception is equally wrong in respect to the postwar world insofar as it assumes that then the State Department will take command, and that the War Department will then retire into the background. The postwar era will not be an era of settled peace such as the United States enjoyed in the nineteenth century. It will be an era of pacification in which diplomatic action, military force, and also economic action, are inseparable. Otherwise our diplomacy will take positions which our military power cannot sustain, and vice versa. Our right hand will not know what our left hand is doing.

THE FALLACY of thinking that political issues could be postponed until after the war is the real reason why we have not established a United Nations council among our allies or a war cabinet here at home. We need both the council and the war cabinet. But we shall not get them, or make them work, until we become fully aware of the fundamental error of conception which is the crux of the difficulty.

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Posthumous award of the Silver Star was made to Mrs. Garnett C. Keely at the Pentagon yesterday for the gallantry of her son, First Lieut. Thomas M. Keely, on an undisclosed island in the Pacific. Three other Washington area men have also received decorations. The men and their awards are:

First Lieut. Thomas M. Keely, 25, of 612 Rock Creek Church rd. nw., posthumously awarded the Silver Star for personally attempting to rescue a wounded soldier April 28 and for storming a Japanese pillbox April 29, when he was killed.

In presenting the award to Mrs. Keely, Maj. Gen. Charles F. Thompson said her son's courage and initiative were an ispiration to all men under his command.

Pfc. Paul Waller Hoye, 1016 16th st. nw., the Bronze Star Medal, for assuming command during a critical period of operations against the Japs when his commanding officers were killed or wounded.

Technical Sergt. Frank J. Knoble, 529 Van Buren st. nw., the Air Medal.

Staff Sergt. Herbert Miskin, 509 Nicholson st. nw., the First and Second Oak Leaf Clusters to the Presidential Unit Citation for participation in the air offensive in Italy.

Corcoran Angle Of WMCA Sale To Be Revealed

By the Associated Press

Part of the story Thomas G. Corcoran told a House committee in secret about his knowledge—if any—of the sale of radio station WMCA in New York is going to be made public.

Members of the committee, winding up a long-lived investigation of the Federal Communications Commission, said yesterday some of Corcoran's story will be reproduced in the committee's final report. But they haven't decided how much of it.

Corcoran, onetime confidential adviser to President Roosevelt, was called before an executive session of the committee two weeks ago. Reports had gone into committee hearings that White House pressure had been used to bring about the sale of the radio station by Donald Flamm to Edward J. Noble for $850,000 in 1940.

Air Plant's 'Wishing Well'

Seattle (U.P.).—Red Cross contributions from employes of Boeing Aircraft Co. are collected in a "wishing well" converted from the nose cowl of a Flying Fortress.

Va. Driver Is Freed In Fatal Accident

Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 27 (Spl.)—Trial Justice L. R. R. Curtis, of Stafford County, has dismissed a charge of involuntary manslaughter lodged against Charles F. Hughes, of Fredericksburg, in connection with the highway death of James Dillard, 63, of East Chatham Heights, the night of December 3.

Hughes said the lights of his car went out suddenly, and when he pulled off to the side of the road the vehicle struck Dillard, who was walking. Commonwealth's Attorney R. H. L. Chichester, jr., told the court there was no evidence of criminal negligence on the part of Hughes and no ground for prosecuting him.

America at War

By Selden Menefee

Back to Earth

THE BAD NEWS from the war fronts in Western Europe and Southern China should have at least one good effect as 1944 draws to a close. It should convince us that we have a year or two of tough fighting still ahead.

Millions of people have been behaving as if the war were over and the postwar spree just getting under way. The jolt we have experienced should sober us up.

With a manpower shortage totaling 300,000 in war industries, our vacation spots and racetracks have been running full swing. The only surprising thing about the order closing down all racetracks is that it didn't come sooner, for not only does racing waste manpower but it congests our travel facilities as well.

Out in California, some 8000 workers have recently claimed unemployment insurance benefits, and 2000 of these were from the vital aircraft and shipbuilding industries. Door - to - door salesmen, street photographers, and numerous other superfluous occupations are still well represented everywhere, while war plants cry for more labor.

Failure of Congress

A great part of our trouble goes back to the failure of Congress to adopt some really stringent manpower controls a year or more ago. It is too late to repair the harm now, so we can only adopt a patchwork system of bonuses for workers who stay on the job until victory.

Tightening of rationing will also drive home the seriousness of the war. Five more vegetables and 85 per cent of all meats will now go back into the rationing system.

A rush of donors to the blood bank, which was nearly deserted at times during the Christmas shopping season, is also an encouraging response to bad news plus urgent appeals. But Red Cross officials have no illusions; they have seen spurts before, which faded away as the war news became more optimistic.

Counterbalancing these signs of increasing seriousness was the lag in E bond sales during the recent War Loan drive. People had time and money to indulge in the greatest buying splurge in our history, and to clog the mails with Christmas cards; but the response to appeals to buy war bonds and stamps for Christmas gifts was disappointing to Treasury officials.

Most symbolic of self-indulgence and laxness on the home front is the jam in travel facilities. Last year the number of passenger-miles traveled on the railroads was almost twice the 1920 record of 47 billion. Yet the railroads have only two-thirds as many passenger cars, and less than two-thirds as many locomotives, as they had in 1920.

Heavy Troop Movements

Troop movements are still heavy, running around 1,500,000 men and women moved per month. They require the constant service of over one-half of all Pullman sleeping cars and nearly a third of all day coaches. Moving an armored division and its vehicles requires up to 75 trains of from 28 to 45 cars each.

Small wonder, then, that reservations or coach seats are hard to get, and that trains are still running late in some sections of the country. The jam will get worse when most of our military personnel are sent to the West Coast for embarkation, after the war is over in Europe.

Yet sample surveys show that 20 per cent of all current travel on trains and intercity buses is nonessential—that is, it represents trips to visit friends or relatives, or sightseeing or vacation trips. Once automobiles were used for at least 90 per cent of such travel, but today most of this traffic has gone to commercial carriers.

Last summer a sample census taken in 10 war production areas showed a total of 270,000 "visitors" in these cities at one time. Los Angeles alone had a total of 86,000, according to the President's Committee for Congested Production areas. Most of these were on nonessential visits.

Now the Florida winter boom is on. In a single weekend this month 2700 Washingtonians stormed the ticket offices of the two railroads running to Florida, buying out a month's supply of coach and Pullman tickets despite the warning of the Offie of Defense Transportation that they might not get passage back.

Out in Colorado, where Army travel is heavy, a system of priorities for servecemen has been voluntarily instituted, to prevent their having to spend a week of their leave trying to get passage home. First priority goes to those who have just returned from service overseas, next to those on emergency leave, then to those on ordinary leave, and finally to civilians.

But something more than that is necessary. In congested areas all unnecessary travel should be eliminated, by requiring some evidence that civilian travel is necessary.

The people have always been far more willing to accept restrictions and hardships for the war effort, provided they are universally applied, than the Administration and Congress seem to realize.

General's Wife To Speak Jan. 8 In Fairfax

Arlington-Fairfax Bureau, The Post, 1630 No. Buchanan St. Tel. CH. 3239.

Mrs. Gordon R. Young, wife of Brig. Gen. Young, commanding officer at Fort Belvoir, will be the guest speaker at the next regular business meeting of the Fairfax County Camp and Hospital Committee of the American Red Cross, it was announced yesterday by the local chapter.

The meeting will be held in the Fireside Room of the Falls Church Presbyterian Church, January 8, at 2 p. m.

All organizations and individuals in Fairfax County desirous of learning the needs of servicemen and women hospitalized in this area are urged to send representatives.

Lions Giving Party

A Yuletide party for teen-age boys and girls will be held today by the Falls Church Lions Club at 8:30 p. m. in the auditorium of the Madison Elementary School on Lee hgwy.

Funds for the affair were raised through sale of Christmas trees.

Receives Promotion

Miss Elizaeth Alexander Buell, daughter of Mrs. George F. Buell of Herndon, who went overseas as an American Red Cross hospital worker 27 months ago, has served at Ahwaz as a hospital secretary and recently was promoted to recreational worker at a hospital in northern Persia.

Odd Fellows to Meet

Falls Church Lodge No. 11, IOOF, will meet tonight at 8 at Odd Fellow's Hall.

To Elect Officers

Election of officers and conduct of annual business will feature the meeting tonight at 8 of the Women's Society of Christian Services of Floris Methodist Church at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Keyes. The Rev. W. W. Hayzlett of Pleasant Valley will be guest speaker.

Named Lodge Master

Frederick W. Robinson was elected worshipful master of Herndon Masonic Lodge No. 264, AAFM, at its recent meeting.

Other officers named were Culver V. Gates, senior warden; D. E. Roadhouse, junior warden; E. M. Armfield, treasurer; Philip E. Weinberg, secretary; Paul LeBeur, senior deacon; Eugene Bicksler, junior deacon; S. William Middleton, tiler; Edgar E. Gillette, chaplain; E. Russell Gillette and Frank Mahoney, stewards.

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Wilson's stature grows with the years as the spiritual force back of the quest for an organized world order. It was the core of his belief that nations, like men, cannot live unto themselves. He saw the world as an integrated unit long before the rocket bombs demonstrated it. If in his day there was no choice before us but to acknowledge our oneness with the world, there is surely none today. It is foolish of the so-called internationalist Senators to suggest, as a sort of reaction from power politics, the possibility of an American relapse into isolationism. There are only two courses open to a nation which is spilling over with power: solitary imperialism or association in a federal unity of power.

Out of his apostolic zeal Woodrow Wilson would have rebuked the fainthearted who are wavering in their quest for a world system of law and order. Obstacles only whetted Wilson's zest and, alas, made him impervious to compromise. It is his faith that we miss today, his call to the duty lying upon us all to pursue the struggle for victory and a secure peace "without stint." May the "vision splendid" which he dreamed and for which he gave his life one day be realized!

OPA's New Program

The tightening and expansion of the rationing program, together with the invalidation of a large number of unused pre-December ration stamps will, we believe, be welcomed by people who take the trouble to find out the reasons for the announced changes. In a commendably frank statement Price Administrator Bowles says: "Surpluses that were expected by some when the European war looked far more near its end, simply have not developed. To predict requirements or the course of the war, as we have sadly seen, is just not always possible. All of the authorities were wrong. Production suffered. We suffered. The best thing any of us can do about it is to adjust ourselves to the facts now clearly in front of us." Here are a few pertinent facts that emphasize the necessity of adding to the list of rationed foods and meats and of raising point values for butter and reducing sugar rations. During the current pack year, for instance, civilians will get 33 per cent less commercially canned vegetables than last year. If demands are not controlled, the OPA estimates that canned vegetable stocks will disappear from 3 to 5 months before the new pack becomes available next summer.

The meat situation is, as we know, complicated by many disturbing factors, notably the lack of ceiling prices for livestock, which has been partly responsible for uneven distribution and has encouraged the development of black markets on an extensive scale. There has not been an over-all shortage of meats, although there has been a marked scarcity of the best grades of beef. As a matter of fact per capita meat consumption in 1944 was at an all time high, though not nearly so high as it would have been without rationing controls. With civilian meat allocations for the first 3 months of 1945 15 per cent below the levels of the preceding 3 months, a currently bad situation would inevitably become worse unless steps were taken to extend rationing. This action should, as OPA says, improve the serious maldistribution that has developed under the existing limited meat rationing program.

In case of butter it seems that we have been gambling much too heavily on an early end of the European war that would have released stocks for civilian consumption. As it has turned out, butter production has been the "smallest in years," and military needs have not slackened, while a disproportionately large share of limited civilian supplies has been consumed in or near production areas. The obvious remedy for this situation is to decrease the ration by increasing point values. As for sugar, the OPA reports that civilians consumed about half a million tons more than we could afford in 1944. For that excess consumption the home canning program, which OPA encouraged, is held to be chiefly responsible. This year civilians will have to get along with 10 pounds less per person.

In view of the tight supply situation it is easy to understand why the OPA decided to invalidate unused ration stamps made valid before December 1. It is estimated, for example, that invalidated sugar stamps represent claims to between 200,000 and 300,000 tons of sugar. If this demand were to be added to demands coming from holders of new sugar stamps, the rationing system would simply break down. Similarly in case of processed foods Administrator Bowles notes that "if the old currency were brought to bear against the 1945 stocks processed food distribution would be on a catch-as-catch-can basis, rather than on a basis of fair rationing." Nevertheless, consumers caught with ration stamps that they have been saving up (maybe for a special purpose) will be forewarned; next time most of them will make use of their stamps, whether they need rationed products or not. When ration stamps were made good indefinitely instead of for specified limited periods it was hoped that needless buying of rationed goods would be discouraged.

However, the success of any nonrigid system of this kind depends upon ability to estimate supply and demand in advance for long periods, with fair accuracy. Calculations have been overoptimistic—in some cases supplies have not come up to expectations, and in other instances demands have exceeded expectations. Thus some prudent and provident citizens will have to suffer for their virtues. They will have to find consolation in the reflection that their valid red and blue stamps will be much more useful if the claims represented by the pre-December stamps are wiped out and we start afresh with a system of rationing that is based more solidly on realities instead of overoptimistic hopes of an early end to the war in Europe.

How Moscow Does It

Of all the Allies the Russians are the only belligerents on our side who are dovetailing their political with their military strategy. Here in this country we keep the two strategies in different compartments. The British, caught between the constraints of the Americans and the actions of the Russians, are disjointed. Russia alone operates political and military strategy together with a seemingly perfect smoothness. The latest example of this dovetailing is the Moscow announcement of the provisional government for Hungary. Hungary is not yet cleared of the Nazis, but the conquest is complete enough to warrant the setting up of a new regime which, judging from the news from Budapest, will soon be located in the Hungarian capital. It will move in as soon as the Russian soldiers have done their work, and, we should judge, there will be no hiatus.

In Hungary, as in other enemy, satellite and liberated countries, factionalism has been intensified by war, but the Russians, in the course of their military operations, have allowed the factions to let off steam in battle, as the Greek factions were not. Nor have the Russians sought to shore up any particular faction. Apparently they stepped in after the factions had had their day on the battlefield, and have drawn representatives from all of them to form the provisional government. Of course, all the appointees are friendly to Moscow. But they are not all Communists, nor are most of them ideologically sympathetic to communism or known for their Russophilia. In picking the Hungarian government the Russians seem to have been guided by several principles which all add up to appeasement, or, if that is considered a bad word, realism. One is the prosecution of the war against Germany, another is legitimacy, and the third is representativeness.

In Russian estimation all considerations are overshadowed by the need of getting on with the war with Germany. Accordingly the new Prime Minister of Hungary is the head of the Hungarian First Army which joined the Reds on the invasion of Hungary, General Miklos. The Hungarians are thus encouraged increasingly to make war side by side with Russia against Nazi Germany. And, so far as we can make out, they will be equipped for that purpose, unlike the Italians, who have been severely restricted in their co-belligerency. Legitimacy, which Russia served in Italy by recognizing Badoglio, is served in Hungary by the places which the Russians have made in the new cabinet for remnants of the Horthy regime. For instance, Horthy's chief of staff is the new minister of war.

Not many Horthyites, of course, are left, since half the members of Parliament and many members of the foreign office are prisoners in Nazi Germany. They objected to full-fledged Nazi control of Hungary, as did the leaders of the Conservative, Liberal and Social Democratic parties, who are all incarcerated in German dungeons. However, the cabinet list takes in sub-leaders who are sufficiently known in Hungary to give the government prestige among all parties. Both the foreign minister and the finance minister are members of the Small Holders' Party; the Communists hold the portfolios of agriculture and commerce; and the intellectual classes and the trade unions all have a voice in the new government. Perhaps the most interesting name in the line-up is that of the son of Count Teleki, who committed suicide in 1941 rather than bow or kneel to Hitler. The younger Teleki is a nonparty man, a university professor, and his inclusion has symbolic importance as a gesture to patriotic Hungary.

Perhaps the outstanding instance of Russian realism in the Hungarian change is the situation of the Hungarian Communists. The Russians ignored the Communists who followed Bela Kun, whose regime the Hungarians recall only with horror. The fact, however, that a Communist is minister of agriculture seems to foreshadow a breakup of feudal Hungary. Nor have the Russians sought any help from a single Hungarian emigre, though two notable emigres were available, Karolyi and Erkhardt. Evidently the Russians feel that the emigres are either tainted with non-Russian foreign influences or out of touch with wartime Hungary. Yet, when all is said and done, this government, while authentically Hungarian and not without a stature of its own, will undoubtedly be a satellite of Moscow's. Hungary is now within the Kremlin's sphere of influence. That Russia makes no bones about this relation is indicated by the fact that our Government probably knows as much about this new development as the Hottentots. That is one reason that the Russians can dovetail their political with their military strategy. In working out foreign policy they have no democracy to court, no minorities within their own borders to win over, and—to cite another reason to call for a Big Three get-together—apparently no allies to consult and propitiate.

Mexico's Plan

A strongly favorable response to the Mexican proposal for a consultative meeting of American foreign ministers has been received from the great majority of the 21 American republics. That such a conference is long overdue is everywhere acknowledged. For the sorry fact is that during the past three years there has been a perceptible deterioration in inter-American solidarity. Not one factor alone, of course, is responsible for this state of affairs, but one of the most important, undoubtedly, is the failure to make use of the procedure of consultation worked out at the Panama, Havana and Rio conferences of American foreign ministers. Of late the habit has grown up of "telling" the Latin Americans instead of consulting with them.

The background of the Mexican proposal was the suggestion from the Argentine government, taking advantage of our procrastination, that a meeting of foreign ministers be held to hear Argentina's case against nonrecognition. This proposal resulted in an exchange of views among the American capitals. Mexico's response was to suggest that instead of a conference limited to a consideration of the Argentine problem, the conference should consider other problems as well, notably those having to do with the postwar organization of peace, and that from this conference Argentina be excluded. It was of this plan that 15 of the 18 American republics that were sounded out declared their support. An early meeting—the earlier the better—is very much in order.

Wanted: A Spokesman

The American people need an authoritative interpretation of what the Rundstedt offensive is all about, how it happened, and what its potentialities are. But no authoritative interpretation has been advanced by the War Department. The result has been a babel of voices, each with a sovereign explanation of what is going on, and with the end result of increasing confusion. Where is the official spokesman whose appointment was announced with so much eclat 12 months ago?

In lieu of an American expert, we have hitherto cited Russians, Frenchmen, anybody but Americans, Today we turn to that brilliant British strategist who writes under the name of Veritas. Veritas makes the remarkably interesting point that Rundstedt's move is the product not of strength but of weakness, that he had no choice but to launch his offensive because the situation was getting beyond his control, and that the time he chose to strike was from the German point of view premature. Veritas' observations are circulated in America by the British Ministry of Information.

"What the Allied winter offensive almost certainly has achieved," says Veritas, "is to compel Rundstedt to strike back earlier than he had planned. The proper time for a counterstrike against a general offensive is when losses and stretched communications begin to diminish its momentum. In this case, the Allied assaults were slowly but definitely increasing their momentum. That fact may eventually turn out to have been of decisive significance."

Veritas admits that the situation which has developed is highly dangerous. On the other hand, the Allied commanders have been given an opportunity which usually comes once, and once only, in the course of a war. "We wanted a fight to the finish on the west side of the Rhine, and we have got it In order to avoid certain defeat by attrition, the enemy has put everything to hazard in a single, calculated blow." So the opportunity is here, as well as the danger. It now remains to be seen whether our forces on the Western Front possess the strength and the leadership to capitalize it. We wish the War Department would say these things.

THERE IS NO WORD

There are about me, in the silence here,
Such sounds as only to the winter heart
Can come, such accents as the winter ear
Alone can gather, listening apart.
Now, while the dreams grow dimmer year by year,
The mind still grips the faint, deceptive chart;
Dull patterns linger in the earth grown sere,
The bough gives up its leaf with stricken start.

There is no language equal to the cold,
No pathos like the nest to fragments blown,
No anguish like the heart that still must hold
Remembrance of the beauty it has known.
There is no dirge to match the fallen leaf;
There is no word, no word at all, for grief.

VIRGINIA PALMATARY.

Washington Calling

By Marquis Childs

Wallace's Future

IN LESS THAN a month, Vice President Henry A. Wallace will be a man without a job. Far from being dismayed by the prospect, he seems to be enjoying it to the utmost.

When friends offer him advice on his future, he smiles his shy, whimsical smile and says he is in a fluid state and rather liking it. If he has specific plans for his future after January 20, he keeps them very much to himself

Several important positions have been suggested for him. One that interests him as much as any is that of Secretary of Commerce. It is an office, he believes, in which a man with imagination could make an important contribution.

In the old days when he was Secretary of Agriculture, he used to go over to Commerce to see his friend, the late "Uncle Dan" Roper. In the rather diffident way that is characteristic of him, Wallace suggested to Roper the creation in the department of a bureau of industrial economics which would do for industry what the Bureau of Agricultural Economics has done for agriculture.

"Uncle Dan" was never very interested in the proposal. But you can be sure that Wallace has not abandoned the idea, and if he were to move into the two-block long Commerce Building that was the handiwork of Herbert Hoover he would undoubtedly try to start such a bureau.

IT HAPPENS, of course, that the solid, substantial figure of Jesse Jones is planted in the office of Secretary of Commerce. Suspicious of efforts to oust him, which have included a campaign of rumors that his health is not equal to the job, Jones paid a conspicuous visit to the Press Club recently to demonstrate to newspapermen that he was still up and about.

Jones apparently has no intention of resigning. It would take a direct presidential request to bring that about, and such requests have been extremely rare. Even under prodding from his backers on the left, FDR would be most reluctant to move against a long-time associate.

To suggestions that he step into the confused food and agriculture situation, Wallace is cold. Some Wallace admirers have felt that the best move he could make would be to demonstrate his effectiveness in a field in which he knows his way completely.

As Secretary of Agriculture, Wallace proved himself a capable administrator. Under Claude Wickard, the Department of Agriculture has retrograded, losing powers and functions in almost the same way that the Department of Labor under Secretary Frances Perkins has been chipped away.

But Wallace is not interested. The job of food production has been done and well done, he says. There are bound to be conflicts in any such far-reaching program, but they can be settled along the lines already laid down.

WALLACE'S chief backing comes from the CIO's PAC and from other labor groups. This wing of labor, Wallace has been told, will support Wickard in his present job in the controversy now brewing over food and agriculture. PAC would back up Wickard if only to thwart the plans of those who would replace him with a more conservative and cautious administrator.

Sometimes, as he sits in the book-lined office in the Senate Office Building which he will soon surrender to Senator Harry S. Truman, his successor, Wallace lets his mind range over all the things he might do. Half in earnest, half in jest, the Vice President remarked the other day that he might go over to France and play volleyball with the boys in the forward rest areas.

There is nothing so relaxing, the Vice President believes, as volleyball. And he should know, since he is probably the world's most widely traveled volleyball player. He played in Mexico during his trip there four years ago. He played in Soviet Russia, in China and in Alaska both going and coming on last summer's trip.

Anyway, Henry Wallace is not forcing his destiny. He is letting the future come to him as it has before.

Military Training

Just a few words regarding compulsory military training, from a man who has had this experience in Norway, in 1901.

First, I want to say that I would not have missed this training for anything, for the simple reason that it was a school where many corrections were made without the individual noticing it. It was a place where all looked alike and became acquainted with one another and learned how to get along without one another; it was a place where all learned something of discipline, which I think is most important.

Next, a young man with this training makes a better example for his family when he becomes a father and has children of his own. It was very important back in Norway for every one to have the same chance in life, and many years prior to this a law was passed that grammar school education should be compulsory; this eliminated rejections on account of ignorance.

It should be very important that physical examinations be made a year before draft age, so that any corrections may be made in due time.

SVEN F. SVENSON
Chicago, Ill.

In Search Of Order

By Barnet Nover

Churchill's Visit To Greece

WINSTON CHURCHILL'S dramatic arrival in Athens on Christmas Day was tantamount to an admission on his part that Britain's Greek policy has gone seriously awry.

It is probably no exaggeration to say that Churchill was as much the victim of faulty political intelligence as our troops on the Western Front were the victims of faulty military intelligence.

From the speech he made in the House of Commons on December 8, it is evident that Churchill was convinced that the left-wing ELAS was small, unrepresentative and unimportant, a gang of desperadoes, gangsters and mutineers who could be crushed by a show of force.

OBVIOUSLY, it hasn't worked out that way at all.

After three weeks of street fighting, British troops and Greek government forces succeeded in wresting a corner of Athens from the ELAS elements. But by that time the rest of Greece was more under ELAS domination than had been the case when the civil war broke out.

In fact, during those three weeks the rival EDES, led by Colonel Zervas, rapidly distintegrated largely as a result of desertions to ELAS.

In the meantime British policy in Greece has been under sharp attack both in this country and in Great Britain. The vote of confidence which Churchill had secured gave him, it is evident, only a temporary respite.

CLEARLY, the situation called for bold action and that Churchill has supplied by his sudden, dramatic flight to Athens. There, in company with Anthony Eden, the British foreign secretary, and Field Marshal Alexander, the Allied commander in chief in the Mediterranean theater, he embarked on a new effort to bring the dissident Greek elements together.

At this writing it is not yet clear what the consequences of Churchill's personal efforts to find a solution of the Greek problem will be.

The blood that has been spilled in Greece during recent weeks, the bitterness that civil war and foreign intervention have engendered in that war-torn land, the grim legacy left by the prewar dictatorship—all these make compromise difficult.

Yet it is clearly not to the interests of the Greeks nor to those of the Allies to permit a continuation of civil strife in Greece at a time when the European military situation is so critical.

IN A STATEMENT he made at the opening of the conference of rival Greek elements, Churchill declared that Britain had no other interest in Greece than to help secure for the Greek people the right to free elections.

There is no reason to doubt Churchill's complete sincerity on this point. But one element that has been productive of much trouble is the fear on the part of certain Greek elements that the promised elections will be rigged by those who sit in the seats of power.

For that reason it might be extremely helpful, at the present juncture of affairs in Greece, if the major Allies, including the United States, agreed jointly to guarantee that those elections will in reality be free.

Such a pledge would throw a necessary light on the obscure question of what the ELAS is really after. Churchill has argued that the ELAS is out to introduce a totalitarian regime in Greece after seizing power at the point of the bayonet.

If this is really the case the ELAS leaders would hardly be prepared to approve an Allied guarantee of a free election. On the other hand, if the majority of Greeks are behind ELAS then there should be no objection on the part of the ELAS leaders to submitting their case to the people.

IT IS TRUE that Churchill has asserted and reasserted that British troops are in Greece for the very purpose of assuring the free expression of the Greek national will when the time for a plebiscite is ripe. But the events of the past few weeks have, rightly or wrongly, tended to cast doubt on Britain's professions.

If the situation in Greece is to be righted, then the Allies must act in concert regarding the problems which the civil war in that country has underlined.

The same principle of action holds true of other problems that have come to the fore recently. Any attempt to solve them through unilateral action or even by bilateral deals can only lead to trouble.

Letters To The Editor

Communications must carry writer's name and address, though pen names are permitted at the editor's discretion. Letters should be held to not more than 200 words. They are subject to condensation.

Essential Order

Apropos of Greece, isn't it high time for Uncle Sam (speaking through the lips of certain scribes and Congressmen) to quit thanking God that he is not as other men are, especially this man Churchill, in the matter of dealing out democracy to weak peoples trembling on the verge of new-born liberty purchased for them at a great price?

The greatest opportunity Uncle Sam ever had to show the world how to do it was in the Philippine Islands.

I have before me two proclamations that throw light on the matter. The first is signed by Major General Otis, dated Manila, January 4, 1899; the second signed by Emilio Aguinaldo, "Presidente del Gobierno Revolucionario," dated Malolos, January 8, 1899.

A brief extract from the first reads: "Instructions of his excellency, the President of the United States . . . direct me to publish and proclaim . . . to the inhabitants of these islands that in the war against Spain the United States forces came here to destroy the power of that nation and to give the blessings of peace and individual freedom to the Philippine people; that we are here as friends of the Filipinos to protect them in their homes, their employments, their individual and religious liberty; and that all persons who, by active aid or honest endeavor, cooperate with the Government of the United States to give effect to these beneficent purposes will receive the reward of its support and protection. . . . In the fulfillment of this high mission, while upholding the temporary administration of affairs for the greatest good of the governed, there will be sedulously maintained the strong arm of authority to repress disturbance, and to overcome all obstacles to the bestowal of the blessings of good and stable government."

Aguinaldo's counter-proclamation was a virtual declaration of war on the United States. In effect it said: "The hell you say!"

A serious look came over the face of Uncle Sam and a glint in his eyes, which none save foolish bodies mock at. There were parleys, but they got nowhere. When patience ceased to be a virtue, the shooting began. Once begun it did not cease for some years. Not until after General Funston bagged Aguinaldo and brought him to Manila for permanent safe keeping in March, 1901. That, said Governor Taft, removed "the last obstacle to the transference of all governmental power from military to civil authorities." Only when the civil authorities assumed full power did "the days of the empire" (as they were called by Americans who served in uniform in the Philippines) come to an end.

I was in the islands from the summer of 1903 to the summer of 1906. Once in 1904 and twice in 1906 attempts were made or threatened to snatch the reins of government from the friendly hands of Uncle Sam. The result was a firming of the friendly hands. Twice the Filipinos were told in language that could not be misunderstood: "Under God, order shall be maintained in these islands!" The warning was heeded. Once it became necessary to say as much to the Moros. But they defied General Wood, through whom Uncle Sam spoke. Parleys got nowhere. Again the shooting began. The scene of it was Bud Dajo of Sulu Island. When it was over not a soul of a Moro force of between 1200 and 1400 was alive.

Government is serious business. To the end that it may be carried on at all, order is absolutely essential. Uncle Sam knows that as well as Mr. Churchill and General Smuts. President Roosevelt knows that—and would add to his great stature if he said so at this juncture of the affairs of the United Nations.

MERCER G. JOHNSON,
Formerly Rector of the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John, Manila.
Washington, Dec. 14.

Greek Policy

We are allowing the idea that the Russian policy regarding Poland is the same as the British action in Greece. Unless the information given the public is false or half the truth, there is no comparison.

Naturally and wisely for all concerned, Russia wishes a friendly government on her very borders, but has she sent troops and tanks into Poland for the purpose of shooting down Polish citizens who do not agree with her policies? If so, we have not heard it on the radio or read it in the newspapers or magazines. Russia has ignored the Polish group in London and aided in the organization of a group that in the future will be friendly to Russia.

It may be important for British commerce to have some control of the Mediterranean, but to attempt to dictate their policies to the governments of Greece and Italy and enforce the British ideas by guns and tanks is a very different method than that used by the Russians toward Poland.

Nothing has done as much to increase anti-British feeling among the mass of the American people as this action in Greece.

The writer is not a communist, but an old New Englander, and who, at present, sees Russia and France behaving better than Britain.

Britain, you are being watched by the people of America and we hope by our State Department. Also, our State Department is being watched. We do not want any side-stepping or shilly-shallying.

OLD NEW ENGLANDER.
Worcester, Mass., Dec. 19.

Land Reform

By Paul Winkler

Necessary Step

IT HAS NOW been realized widely that the cutting up of the tremendous estates of the German Junkers is a necessary step in the regeneration of Germany, for two reasons: first, because it will deprive the Junkers of the position from which they have exerted their pernicious influence on the affairs of the state; and secondly, because it would create a saner basis for German agricultural economy.

It has been less widely realized that the same situation exists in many other European countries—one, that is, which makes the establishment of democracy on a solid foundation conditional upon an agrarian reform of the same type. Germany is not the only country where feudally organized estates of tremendous area provide an obstacle to the organization of a stable agricultural economy and, as a result, of any stable economy whatsoever except in a political system where the great landholders are also the masters of the national life.

In a great part of eastern Europe, the peasants have been kept in a state of semistarvation and illiteracy which has permitted all sorts of semi-Fascistic and Fascistic regimes to establish themselves. It was the men who desired to keep the gigantic estates for the purpose of making profit for themselves by means of the exploitation of the peasants who promoted ultranationalistic slogans, in order to make the people believe that their misery was the result of foreign pressure and not of the concentration of land in the possession of the few.

Medieval Methods

THE PROFITS which the landowners made in these countries were derived, indeed, directly from the privations of the people, for these great estates were not efficiently managed. Their medieval methods meant that farm profits came, not from a proper exploitation of the land, but from the improper exploitation of the peasants, who toiled on them under conditions of peonage instead of being able to till small farms of their own.

In Hungary, for instance, one million families, or almost 50 per cent of the population, lived on a monthly revenue of less than 30 pengoes, or about $6. In many sections, peasants could not afford to buy candles or oil for lamps. As a result, when the early winter night set in, at 5 or 6 o'clock, the family could do nothing except huddle together in the dark and talk until sleep overcame them.

The peasants were liberated from actual legal serfdom by the revolution of 1848, but the landowners still treat them in a feudal fashion, and the older peasants, both men and women, still kiss the hand of the master of the land. In some respects, the peasants are worse off today than they were under serfdom, for the land owner no longer accepts any responsibility for them.

Remedy Not Simple

However, it will not be enough to solve the problems of these regions simply to split up the large estates. Romania has already discovered that other accompanying measures are necessary as well. There had been pressure for land reform there ever since 1907, when a peasant revolt was based on a demand for land. It did not succeed, but Ion Bratianu nevertheless began envisaging land reform as a necessity for the well-being of the country in 1913. And after the revolution in neighboring Russia, peasant unrest became so strong that Romania was finally obliged to carry out agrarian reform by splitting up the great estates. The Russian formula of the collective farm was not followed, since the desire of the Romanian peasant was to own land of his own, if only a little, rather than to share in the exploitation of great communal estates.

But in a few years, the effect of Romanian land reform had been practically wiped out and the land was again concentrated in a few hands. The reason why the peasants had been obliged to sell was simple. Just as the liberation of the serfs in eastern Europe in the 19th century had been incomplete, since it was not accompanied by other measures designed to give them genuine economic independence, so the Romanian land reform concerned itself only with giving the peasants land, but not at all with giving them the means to exploit it. No arrangements were made to provide the individual owners with equipment to run their farms, there was no satisfactory organization of agricultural credit, there were no cooperatives to provide farm machinery or its use or to sell cattle and farm animals on credit.

Measures of agrarian reform in eastern Europe, therefore, will have to include, if they are to be successful, not only the splitting up of the great feudal estates, but also:

1. The formation of cooperative societies for the procurement of machinery, equipment, seeds, animals and the sale of the produce;

2. The establishment of a system of agricultural credit, regulated by law;

3. Intensification of the education of the peasants, with the double purpose of making them experts in agricultural methods and responsible well-informed citizens of democratic governments.

Hodges Urges Va. Sales Tax To Aid Schools

Richmond, Va., Dec. 27 (AP).—Means of obtaining revenue through a sales tax or some other form of taxation by which all the people may contribute to increased school costs was seen today by Senator Y. Melvin Hodges, of South Hill, as a step to be considered before any substantial part of the Denny School Commission recommendations may be made effective.

Called Fairest Plan

Senator Hodges, who offered a school sales tax bill at the 1944 regular session of the General Assembly, said he was not "absolutely sold" on the sales tax, but said he thought it the fairest plan yet advanced to achieve the end of universal support.

He said the Denny report aimed at ends "very fine and forward looking," but he said he could not agree that the means of "obtaining such notable ends are proper."

Senator Hodges was one of a number of legislators who praised the report in comments today. Several said they believed early consideration should be given to the recommendations.

Governor Darden, meanwhile, was preparing to present "a substantial" program for schools to the General Assembly this winter.

Commission to Report

It is anticipated that the Sales Tax Study Commission will be ready to report perhaps by the end of January and before any school program is considered. The Denny commission recommends that State aid to localities be predicated upon the localities making available a sum at least equal to the sum that would be received from a tax of 55 cents per $100 on the true value of all property subject to local taxation. It recommends also that the true value of all locally taxable property be ascertained by the State Department of taxation once in every three years.

Nazi Soldiers Show Lack of Dental Care

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—Even "supermen" need dental care, and that is something German soldiers have been woefully without, says Col. Thomas C. Daniels, Third Service Command dental surgeon.

Daniels, who has peered into the mouths of thousands of German prisoners of war, reports the condition of their teeth and gums, even after several years of army service, is no better than the average American inductee's, while the veteran American soldier is many times better off.

The reason is, Colonel Daniels says, that while our soldiers receive routine dental care whether at the front or in camp, the Germans by and large had received no attention since their induction. For some, this meant a lapse of four years before American Army dentists went to work on them in prison camps under terms of the Geneva Convention. In service, they got dental care only when their cases were serious enough for them to go on sick call and be removed to base hospitals.

Colonel Daniels, who started his examination of German prisoners at Fort Dix early in the war, said that mobile unit dental details traveling among German prisoner installations in the Third Service Command last October discovered about 25 per cent of the men needed immediate care, contrasted to only 4 per cent of a similar check on American soldiers at Fort George G. Meade.

Md. Bill to Seek Lottery to Replace Race Revenues

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—A bill to establish a public lottery to replace revenue lost to the State when the race tracks close will be introduced at the State Legislature which opens January 3, Delegate Chester Kosakowski of the First District said today.

Kosakowski, who introduced a bill last year seeking to remove the ban from lotteries, said that a meeting will be held in his district this week to discuss the bill. Delegates Thomas Siemak, Edward R. Milonicz and John Weber will attend the meeting and Kosakowski declared that even if his colleagues did not approve of the bill, he would introduce it.

Fire Destroys 7500 Chicks

Denton, Md., Dec. 27 (AP).—Approximately 7500 2-week-old chicks were burned to death early today by a fire which destroyed approximately half of a large chicken house owned by Miss Margaret Butenchein.

Firemen cut in half the building, located about a mile south of Denton on the Choptaank River, in order to save 50 laying hens and a quantity of feed. They also succeeded in saving Miss Butenchein's home, a short distance away.

Miss Butenchein, who said she had no insurance, was unable to estimate her loss immediately.

Falmouth Soldier Killed in Action

Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 27 (Spl.)—Pvt. Warren Houte Edwards, of Falmouth, former operator of an automobile service station here, previously reported missing, was killed November 18, the War Department has notified his wife, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Edwards. He is survived by two small sons; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Price G. Edwards, of Stafford; three sisters and five brothers.

Yanks Adept at Shark Fishing in Pacific

Associated Press Photo

TWO FROM MARTINSBURG—Using telephone wire and steel hooks made by hand, these Seabees and Marines have become able hands at shark fishing in the waters around their base in the Western Pacific. Left to right (standing): Pfc. William B. Leonard of Martinsburg, W. Va.; Pfc. William F. Keopf of Cumberland, Md., and CM 1/c Carl R. Anderson of Altoona, Pa. Kneeling—S 2/c Phillip J. Porettie of Fort Dodge, Iowa, and Pvt. Hunter B. Lamp of Martinsburg, W. Va.

Rites Are Held For Miss Keith In Warrenton

Warrenton, Va., Dec. 27 (AP).—Funeral services for Miss Katherine Isman Keith, 77, charter member of the Warrenton Garden Club, were held yesterday at St. James Episcopal Church in Warrenton with burial in the Keith plot of the Warrenton Cemetery.

Miss Keith died on Christmas eve after a lengthy illness. She was one of the founders of the Warrenton Library, for which she was secretary until ill health caused her to relinquish her duties.

She is survived by a brother, Julian G. Keith, and a sister, Mrs. E. M. Spilman, both of Warrenton, and numerous nephews and nieces, as well as several grandnieces and nephews.

Mrs. Emma J. Bradley

Charles Town, W. Va., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Emma Jane Bradley, 80, wife of the Rev. William H. Bradley, Church of the Brethren pastor, died at the home at Leetown, this county, yesterday following an extended illness. She was born at Luray, Va., daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shenk. She had resided in this county for 40 years. Surviving in addition to the husband are a daughter and five sons.

Austin D. Nooney

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—Funeral services were held today for Austin D. Nooney, veteran Baltimore newspaperman who died Sunday. Nooney, a member of the editorial staff of the Baltimore News-Post for the last 37 years, was fatally injured when he fell in front of his home two weeks ago. His widow, two daughters and two sons survive.

Auto Accessories Ruined in 4-Alarm Baltimore Fire

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—Tens of thousands of dollars' worth of irreplaceable automobile accessories were in ruins today after a four-alarm fire which damaged the storeroom and warehouse of the Taubman Auto Supply Co. of South Broadway.

Harry J. Taubman, proprietor, said that about $100,000 worth of accessories, tires, electric heaters, toys and tools were either damaged or destroyed.

Last night's blaze was the most spectacular, from a spectator's viewpoint, that has occurred in Baltimore for two or three years. By the time the first fireman arrived flames were shooting 50 feet into the air from the second and third-floor windows.

Flames shooting out of one of the second-story windows threatened at one time to engulf a hook-and-ladder truck.

7 Marylanders Awarded DFC

By the Associated Press

The War Department announced yesterday the award of the Distinguished Flying Cross to seven Marylanders, all members of the Tenth Army Air Force.

They were: First Lieut. Philip Feinglass of Baltimore.

First Lieut. James L. Kent of (RFD 2) Frederick.

First Lieut. John J. Reinhard, jr., of Cumberland.

First Lieut. Theodore M. Vial of (4304 Van Buren st.) Hyattsville.

Flight Officer Clyde E. Miller of Baltimore.

Tech. Sergt. Austin H. England, jr., of Baltimore.

Tech. Sergt. George D. Foltz of Baltimore.

W. J. Heffernan Heads Holy Name Society

Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 27 (Spl.)—W. J. Heffernan has been elected president of the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's Catholic Church here for 1945. Other officers who will serve during the year are: C. J. McLain, vice president; R. S. Muller, secretary-treasurer; W. V. Koenig, marshal. The advisory council will consist of J. V. O'Toole and Solly Ventura. Rev. James J. Widmer is spiritual director.

Md. Legislative Council Splits On 'Home Rule' Measures

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—The Legislative Council closed its pre-General Assembly deliberations today on a discordant note possibly prophetic of things to come when so-called "home rule" measures are brought before the Legislature at Annapolis.

The controversy arose when Council Chairman and Senate President President Jamees J. Lindsay (D., Baltimore) calleed for a vote on a motion to approve a measure defining powers, duties and rights to be conferred generally on municipal corporations.

Speaker of the House John S. White (D., Prince Georges) protested the action, declaring that Linsay had failed to put to a vote a previous motion by Senator Wilmer Rell Davis (R., Caroline) that an unfavorable report be returned.

White States Opposition

"I'm against it, but I'm not going to argue about it. It's too late," said White, asserting that he was opposed to the home rule program approved by the council for submission to the General Assembly.

Most council members hadn't even read the municipal corporations bill, he said. He refused an offer from the chair to reentertain the unfavorable report motion. White commented that the council personnel in attendance had changed since Davis' original motion was made and that Davis himself had left.

Lindsay then entertained the motion for a favorable report and it was adopted with only two audible dissenting votes, those of White and Del. Milton Dick R., Allegany).

The several measures on "home rule" legislation would confer on local governments—counties and incorporated towns and cities—numerous law making powers now invested in the general assembly. A major purpose behind the move was to clear the general assembly of legislative jams which protagonists of the several bills said were caused at least in part by vast quantities of purely local measures.

Would Simplify Actions

The council unanimously approved proposals of Baltimore City State's Attorney Bernard Wells, president of the Maryland State's Attorneys Association, which would simplify indictments in various cases, including those involving perjury, embezzlement, bigamy, burglary, conspiracy and felonies.

A bill to provide for payment of automobile taxes to the commissioner of motorvehicles at the time licenses are issued was included today in a tentative legislative program being prepared for the General Assembly by the Baltimore City government.

City Solicitor Simon E. Sobeloff, who is drawing up the proposal, said the change would simplify and reduce the cost of collecting the tax, since a large part of the cost of operating the city's bureau of receipts was that of handling thousands of personal property accounts, of which motor vehicles formed the greater part.

Under the proposed law, the taxes would have to be paid before the commissioner could issue license tags.

Other City Proposals

Among other legislative proposals tentatively considered by the city were:

Delegation of authority of the Legislature to the city and 23 counties to establish aviation commissions.

Operation of airports as a government function, but with that political subdivision not liable for mishaps.

Reducing the amount of property that must be required by negotiation by the land development commission before it can exercise its right of condemnation.

Authorizing the city to impose temporary restrictions on the use of water provided by the municipality both in and outside the city.

A loan act authorizing the city to issue bonds not to exceed $2,000,000 for repair and rehabilitation of municipal structures.

New Compensation Plan

Establishment of a new injury fund under the State Workmen's Compensation Act, to be applied in cases where permanent total disability resulted from second injuries, also was recommended to the Legislative Council today.

Emanuel Gorfine, chairman of the State Industrial Accident Commission, spoke for the measure, explaining that under the present law the entire burden of total disability falls on the last employer, regardless of whether the man had been partially disabled previously.

Bus Tax Cut Sought

E. L. Maxwell, president of the Maryland Coach Co., asked the council for reduction of the tax burden on franchise bus operators in Maryland, contending that "we are being discriminated against in favor of those exercising similar privileges in connection with other types of motor vehicles operating in this State."

The fees charged, Maxwell contended, are out of line with those imposed in other States.

Va. Motorists Cautioned on Slick Roads

By the Associated Press

A sleet storm, described by State highway officials as "very severe," laid a coating of ice over roads in wide-spread sections of Virginia last night and threatened a considerable tie up of motor traffic.

Highway officials cautioned motorists to refrain from travel if possible and to drive with caution if trips are made. Bristol highway district engineers reported that some buses had cancelled trips.

A late report from the Culpeper highway district said the roads were white with sleet "which is slick as glass." Roads in the Bluefield area and in Smyth county, east and west of Marion, were said to be very slick.

In Augusta and Highland Counties and in Lexington sleet began to fall during the mid-morning Wednesday and by late afternoon half an inch of ice had covered the area. Skies were heavy, frozen rain fell continuously and Route 11 north was described by highway officials as being "very slippery."

Worse Conditions Seen

Half an hour after sleet and rain began to fall, roads, streets and sidewalks had become "dangerous" in many parts of Virginia and indications were that the condition would grow worse.

Temperatures in the Richmond area remained around the 28 degree mark with ice on windshields of automobiles but no snow. Highway workers were putting sand and chemicals on Route 1.

In the Staunton area, temperatures tumbled to 20 degrees in the mountains, but remained at 28 in the Martinsville area. Hail covered the roads making traveling difficult. No traffic trouble was reported, but highway workers were sanding the entire area.

Mountain Roads Sanded

The temperature at Lynchburg remained at 24 degrees, but motorists were warned to use chains. Roads leading towards the mountains were being sanded.

Heavy sleet was reported in the Fredericksburg district, but the roads in the area were clear, which was unexplained, highway officials said. The temperature had fallen to 14 degrees during Wednesday morning and then climbed to 29 during the day.

At Roanoke freezing rain was expected to continue for the next 24 hours and the temperature remained about 21 degrees.

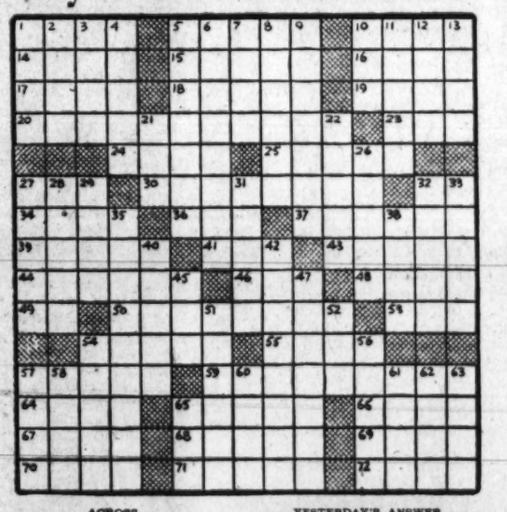
In Richmond police closed the Ninth street bridge across the James River and warned motorists that travel on Lee, Fourteenth and Boulevard bridges was hazardous.

German Prisoners To Work at Hospital

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 27 (Spl.)—A small group of German prisoners-of-war have been delivered to a camp on the reservation at the Army's new Newton D. Baker General Hospital here, the first such assigned to the hospital, it was announced.

They will be employed by hospital authorities to landscape the grounds, care for floors and windows, and thus relieve Army and civilian personnel for more important work.

Daily Cross Word Puzzle



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16 Modern section of Istanbul
17 Tart
18 With one end raised
19 Book of the Bible
20 Deep despondency
23 Reptile
24 Similar
25 Native of Pennsylvania city
27 Suppositions
30 Mockers
33 Therefore
34 High score at bridge
36 Ruddy
37 Last lines of a sonnet
39 Tempts
41 June bug
43 Distributed
44 Feminine name
46 Drop behind
48 Point in duration
49 Personal pronoun
50 Stripped
53 Gibbon
54 Italian city
55 Flag
57 Interval of time
59 Ancient rich article of dress
64 African tree
65 Goddess of the chase
66 Float on
67 Verily
68 Pertaining to Swiss mountains
69 Small sunken court
70 Remainder
71 Rank in growth
72 Microbe

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2 Oriental food
3 Seed coating
4 Foot lever
5 Evader of military service
6 Tied to a stake
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13 Rub the wrong way
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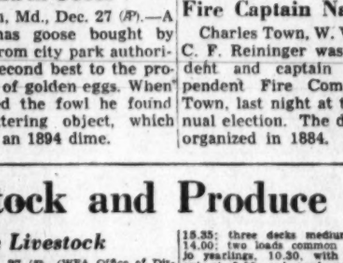
YESTERDAY'S ANSWER



Kendall Banning, 65, Dies; Famed Editor and Author

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—A long illness resulted today in the death of Kendall Banning, 65, of Old Lyme, Conn., editor and author under whose direction the pictorial record and history of the first World War was compiled.

Banning, whose death occurred at the Fort Howard Veterans Hospital, was best known for such books as "West Point Today," "Annapolis Today," and "The Fleet Today," although he had written more than a dozen in all, as well as songs, pantomimes and plays.

Attached to the Army's General Staff for a time during the first World War, he was later assigned as director of the division of pictures, commission on public information, prior to compilation of the war history.

He attained the rank of major during the war, and went into the Signal Corps Reserve as a lieutenant colonel in 1922.

The son of William Calvin and Helen Josephine Banning, he was born in New York September 20, 1879. He was graduated from Dartmouth in 1902 and from 1903 to 1917 was managing editor and associate editor of the publication, System. From 1919 to 1921 he was managing editor of Cosmopolitan and Heart's magazine and from 1922 to 1928 editor of Popular Radio. From 1929 to 1934 he was editorial director of the Public Utilities Fortnightly.

His best-known books, dealing with the Nation's armed services, were written after 1934.

Banning was a member of the Society of Colonial Wars, Sons of the American Revolution, Military Society of the War of 1912, the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, Phi Delta Theta, the Players and Dutch Treat Clubs of New York, and the Army and Navy Club, Washington.

His first wife, by whom he has a daughter, Barbara, died in 1912, about six years after they were married. His second wife, Dorothy Carter Sanders, to whom he was married in 1915, had one son, William Calvin Banning. The widow and two children survive.

6 Army Fliers Killed in Crash Near Langley

Langley Field, Va., Dec. 27 (AP).—Six airmen were killed early today when their heavy bomber crashed on a combat training missions 3½ miles southwest of Langley Field, it was announced by Col. E. W. Raley, commanding officer of this Army Air Force training command installation.

The crash occurred at approximately 6:40 a. m. about three quarters of a mile from Sawyer's Swamp road. Next of kin of all personnel involved have been notified.

The dead included the pilot, Lieut. French M. Russell, Stillwater, Ohio; Flight Officer Frederick T. Libertino, Summit, N. J.; Lieut. John J. Pfeiffer, San Antonio, Texas; Second Lieut. James E. Fletcher, Dunbar, W. Va.; Tech. Sergt. Donald W. Card, Millerton, N. Y., and Tech. Sergt. John P. Martin, Highland Park, Mich.

The bomber caught fire and crashed into a heavy thicket, cutting a path of 350 yards. Langley Field firemen, who had to walk a half mile to reach the plane, fought the fire for 90 minutes before it was brought under control. Wet trees helped prevent the spread of the fire.

Missing Girl Hunt Turns to Florida On Railman's Tip

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—The aid of Florida authorities was enlisted today in the search for Jane N. Hildreth, 17-year-old finishing school student who disappeared last week, after Washington police were informed by a railroad steward that he believed he saw the girl last Saturday night.

The trainman, J. M. Sewell of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, said a girl answering the description furnished by Mrs. Elizabeth Hildreth, the girl's mother, was aboard his Miami-bound train Saturday night, Baltimore police were informed.

Sewell said the girl, accompanied by three others, mentioned she was from Baltimore. She left the train at Miami.

Miss Hildreth, a student at the Northampton, Mass., School for Girls, vanished over a week ago after leaving a note saying "No one will ever see me again." She had come home to spend part of the Christmas holiday vacation with her mother and was to have gone to Charlottesville, Va., to visit her father, William S. Hildreth, a banker there.

Parish Hall Fire Takes 8th Victim

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—The death today of another woman at Union Memorial Hospital increased to eight the total deaths as a result of the fire which swept through the St. Ambrose Catholic Parish Hall during a card and bingo party the night of December 6.

Mrs. Aminee C. Woodward, 73, of Baltimore, was the latest victim. Her daughter, Laura, 45, died at the West Baltimore General Hospitaal the night after the fire.

In all, six women were victims. The other two were men.

At least a third of the approximately 200 persons who crowded the hall were burned or injured in the rush for the door. Some still are in hospitals.

Captain's Tire, Wheel Stolen From Garage

Theft of a tire, inner tube and wheel for an automobile owned by Capt. John D. Hogue, 3052 S. Abingdon dr., Alexandria, was reported to police yesterday by Thomas J. Gore of Gore's Service Station, 501 S. Washington st., where the Army officer had left the tire for repair.

New Md. Holly Industry Has Good Season

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 27 (AP).—A definite upsurge in Maryland's comparatively new holly industry was experiencdced this Christmas season when approximately half a million dollars poured into Free State growers' pockets.

State Forester Joseph F. Kaylor disclosed today that the certification and marketing service operated for the growers by the State Department of Forests and Parks filled more than 500 orders this season.

The department's official tag on the box of holly, assuring buyers it was cut under expert supervision and was fresh, trebled profits for holly producers this year, Kaylor said.

The forester also predicted that continuation of the certification service would result in a doubling within three years of the scope and profits of the industry.

The native holly, grown on the Eastern Shore and in central and southern Maryland counties, is hardy and inexpensive to raise; while English holly involves costly cultivation, Kaylor explained.

Md. State House Fixed for Session

Annapolis, Dec. 27 (AP).—Workmen were busy today getting the historic old State House at Annapolis slicked up for the 1945 session of the General Assembly, which convenes next Wednesday.

The solons will find newly varnished floors, refinished walls and gleaming furniture in all the small rooms off the corridors near the Senate and House chambers when they arrive.

The front portion of the State House was refurbished just before the convening of the 1943 session, and this year's job was designed to make the rear part, where most of the committee rooms are located, match the remainder.

Barge Salvage Waited; Two Bodies Still Missing

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP).—Recovery of the bodies of two of three children drowned in the Chesapeake Bay when a disabled barge slipped off a beach may depend upon salvage operations since a diver's search which yielded one body, was stopped today.

The belief that the bodies of Patricia Ann and Louise Roughton, daughters of Capt. and Mrs. Paul Roughton of Elizabeth City, N. C., were washed overboard when the barge sank, was expressed today by T. J. Hooper, president of the Eastern Transportation Co.

He said, however that a new search would be made when the barge is raised. The children's parents and a deckhand managed to escape when the vessel slipped its moorings.

Dime Found in Goose

Hagerstown, Md., Dec. 27 (AP).—A wild Christmas goose bought by John Sager from city park authorities proved second best to the proverbial layer of golden eggs. When Sager dressed the fowl he found in it a glittering object, which proved to be an 1894 dime.

District AAA Parleys Set In Maryland

College Park, Md., Dec. 27 (Spl.): Joseph H. Blandford announced today a series of five district meetings to be held January 2-8 by State Agricultural Adjustment Agency officials to acquaint county AAA officials with provisions of the 1945 proposed AAA program and related topics.

Topics to be discussed include the duties and responsibilities of AAA committeemen, the conservation materials program, the 1945 farm plan and special services.

The dates of the meetings, and the counties to be represented are:

January 2 at Upper Marlboro, for Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince Georges and St. Marys Counties.

January 3 at Bel Air for Baltimore, Cecil and Harford Counties.

January 4 at Easton for Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Annes and Talbot Counties.

January 5 at Snow Hill for Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester Counties.

January 8 at Westminster for Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery and Washington Counties.

Meetings will be held at a later date for Allegany and Garrett Counties because of weather conditions.

Va. Truck Crop Value Placed At $16,729,000

Richmond, Va., Dec. 27 (AP).—Virginia commercial truck growers, although hard hit by an early summer drought, earned $16,729,000 from their crops this year to exceed by 59 per cent the 10-year average of $10,495,000, Federal-State agricultural officials reported today.

This year's value, however, was 19 per cent under last year's total.

Vegetable crops returning growers less than in 1943 were lima beans, snap beans, beets, cabbage, kale, lettuce, onions, green peas, potatoes, spinach and watermelons. A higher valuation for 1944 was shown only for cucumbers, strawberries and tomatoes.

The drop in value was particularly sharp in potatoes, spinach and cabbage.

The harvested acreage of commercial truck crops this year was 117,840 acres, compared with 119,140 acres in 1943 and 130,910 for the 10-year average (1933-42.) Tomatoes, with 38,900 acres, and commercial Irish potatoes with 37,700 acres, led all crops in point of acreage.

The crop reporting service said that in general yields and quality of truck crops were below those of 1943. The commercial potato yield was the lowest since records were first established on this crop in 1918.

In Southwest Virginia the summer crops of cabbage and snap beans were damaged by a July to September drought, which proved particularly severe in the Smyth-Wythe County area.

Armed Bandits Hunted In Winchester Area

Winchester, Va., Dec. 27 (Spl.)—Local officers today were still searching for an armed pair who robbed Harry Mason of his cash and taxi near here Saturday night, later wrecking the auto a few miles from the scene of their holdup. Police said the men fled into the woods near the road.

Some articles abandoned in the wrecked taxi have been tentatively identified as part of the loot from a store robbery Friday night near Moorefield, W. Va.

Will Names Ruth A. Bolton

Under the will of Bertha A. Fetzer, Bethesda, Md., admitted to probate in the Orphans' Court, Rockville, her entire setate goes to Ruth A. Bolton, also of Bethesda. Executed July 21, 1943, the will names the beneficiary as executrix. It does not reveal the value of the estate.

Fire Captain Named

Charles Town, W. Va., Dec. 27 (AP). C. F. Reininger was elected president and captain of the Independent Fire Company, Charles Town, last night at the sixtieth annual election. The department was organized in 1884.

Livestock and Produce

Baltimore Livestock

Baltimore, Dec. 27 (AP). (WFA Office of Distribution)—CATTLE—Receipts, 150; represented classes active, steady with Tuesday; small lot common and medium heifers, around 750 lbs., 11.50; scattered lots cutter and common cows, 7.75@11.25; canners, 6.00@7.25; odd shelly individual down to 5.50; top sausage bulls quotable 12.00; few head cutter to medium 8.50@11.00.

CALVES—Receipts, 50; nominally steady, unchanged.

HOGS—Receipts, 400; active; barrows, gilts and sows 20 higher than Tuesday; good and choice, 180-200 lbs. barrows and gilts, 15.30, the ceiling; 120-130 lbs., 13.50@13.75; 130-140 lbs., 14.00@14.25; 140-160 lbs., 14.50@14.75; 160-180 lbs., 14.75@15.00; 241-300 lbs., 14.70@14.95; good sows up to 400 lbs., 13.40@13.90; over 400 lbs. selling for less.

SHEEP—Receipts, 25; nominally steady; good and choice wooled lambs quotable 15.00@15.50; common and medium, 10.00@13.00; culls around 8.00; choice lightweight slaughter ewes, 6.00.

Note: The Baltimore Livestock Market will be closed Monday, January 1.

Chicago Livestock

Chicago, Dec. 27 (AP). (WFA)—SALABLE HOGS—Receipts, 13,000; total, 21,000; fairly active, fully steady; good and choice barrows and gilts, 180 lbs. and up at 14.75 ceiling; few good and choice 150-180 lbs., 14.25@14.75; virtually all sows, 14.00; complete clearance early.

SALABLE CATTLE—Receipts, 10,000; total, 10,000; salable calves, 1000; total, 1000; fed steers and yearlings, including yearling heifers, steady to 25 cents lower; mostly steady except on good and choice weighty bullocks; largely steer run; bulk 13.75@16.50; top 17.40 paid for yearlings; choice heavy steers, 17.00; bulk heifers, 13.00@15.00; cows and bulls 25 cents higher, active at advance. Vealers firm at 15.50 down; stockers and feeder trade at standstill.

SALABLE SHEEP—Receipts, 8000; total, 10,000; scattered early sales all classes steady, however, very few lambs sold early, with higher asking prices retarding trade; load good and choice fed wooled Western lambs, 15.00; numerous loads held at 15.25@15.35; three decks medium and good lambs, 14.00; two loads common and medium Navajo yearlings, 10.50, with 2-year-old wethers out at 9.00 and aged ewes 6.75; good and choice fed yearling wethers held above 13.00; native ewes 7.00 down.

Richmond Markets

Richmond, Va., Dec. 27 (AP) (USDA)—(Prices represent sales on wholesale market.)

WHITE POTATOES—Receipts moderate. Market strong. 100-lb. sacks, New York and Maine, 3.50@3.75.

APPLES—Market steady. Various varieties, small and 1¾ in. sizes, no demand. 2¼-2½ in. and up, 2.00@2.50, some few higher; 2½ in. up, 2.75@3.75.

TOMATOES—Receipts light. Market strong. Texas and Florida, 5.00@6.25.

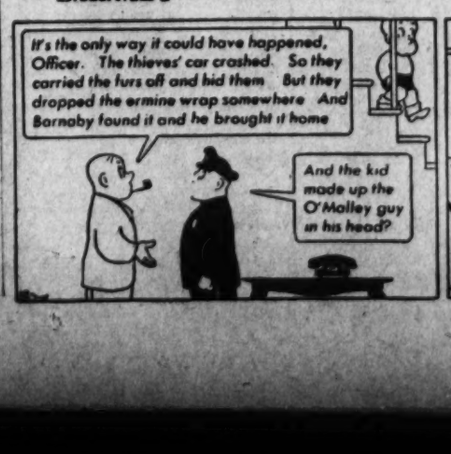
EGGS—(Prices paid net to producers, f. o. b. Richmond.)—Receipts moderate. Market firm. Federal-State grading stations: Whites-browns, U. S. Grade A, large, 52@54; U. S. Grade A, medium, 48@48; U. S. Grade A, small, 38@40; U. S. Grade B, large, 43@44; U. S. Grade B, medium, 33@35; U. S. Grade C, large, 35. Pullets, 35. Nearby ungraded current receipts, whites and mixed colors, 38@42; 43-45 dozen for 56 lbs. and up.

LIVE POULTRY—(Prices paid net to producers, f. o. b. Richmond.) Receipts extremely light, no chickens. Market steady. All prices on poultry at OPA ceiling. Broilers, fryers and roosters, 28½; colored hens, 32; Leghorns, 22@24; old cocks, 20. Old turkeys, all weights 33.20 per 100 lbs. Young turkeys, all weights 33.20 per 100 lbs. plus hauling allowance according to distance.

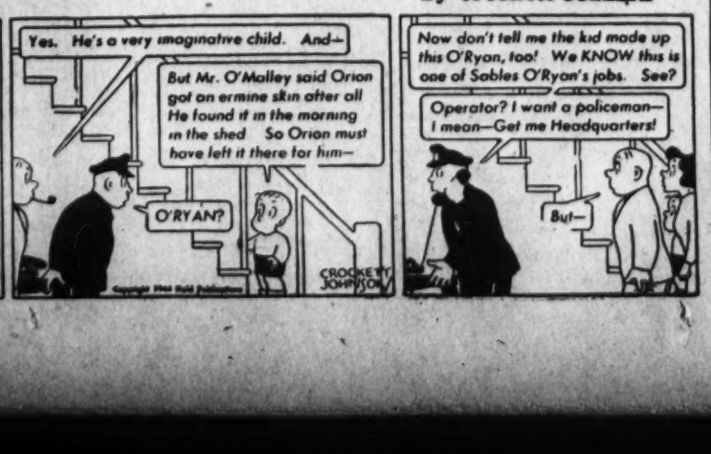
HOGS—Receipts 3200. Market steady with Tuesday. 180-240 lb. grainfed hogs, 14.10; 100-120 lbs., 10.85; 120-140 lbs., 12.70; 140-160 lbs., 13.35; 160-180 lbs., 13.95; 240-270 lbs., 13.70; 270-300 lbs., 13.30; 300-330 lbs., 13.05. Weights 330 lbs. up, 12.70. Good sows, under 350 lbs., 12.25; 350-500 lbs., 11.55; over 500 lbs., 11.10. Good stags, 8.10.

CATTLE—Market slow. Two dairy type cows bring 9.00@9.00; medium to good, 6.50@8.00; common grades, 4.50@6.00; shelly kinds, 3.50@4.00. Good butcher bulls are selling 8.50@9.50; sausage bulls according to size and quality, 6.00@8.00. Good and choice vealers, steady, 14.00@14.50; medium calves, 11.00@13.00; common, 8.00@10.00.

BARNABY


It's the only way it could have happened, Officer. The thieves' car crashed. So they carried the furs off and hid them. But they dropped the ermine wrap somewhere. And Barnaby found it and he brought it home
And the kid made up the O'Malley guy in his head?

By Crockett Johnson


Yes. He's a very imaginative child. And—
But Mr. O'Malley said Orion got an ermine skin after all. He found it in the morning in the shed. So Orion must have left it there for him—
O'RYAN?
Now don't tell me the kid made up this O'Ryan, too! We KNOW this is one of Sables O'Ryan's jobs. See?
Operator? I want a policeman—I mean—Get me Headquarters!
But—
CROCKETT JOHNSON

This Morning

With Shirley Povich

(Editor's Note—We do not necessarily agree with the opinion expressed herein, but we defend the horsemen's right to voice it. Here is one horse owner's reaction to the War Mobilization Board's ban on racing in this country:)

Horse racing being horse racing is always an easy target for discriminatory action—like a sitting duck. The racing industry cannot appeal because we carry the stigma of being a gambling sport. Theoretically that's true, but actually racing is not the only sport in which gambling is indulged in. There is gambling on baseball, football and fights, but only race gambling is legalized gambling. We ought to be proud of that fact instead of acting ashamed of it.

POVICH

Racing is billion-dollar industry that got a ten-day death sentence, and that's hard to take. You can't turn racing on and off, like water, without destroying or impairing large investments. No other industry has gotten the same harsh treatment.

The finger was pointed at racing on the count that it was using esential materials like gas, oil and rubber for the patrons' cars. But how about the movie and baseball customers who use a hundred times more?

One complaint was that racing was causing an absenteeism condition on the Pacific Coast. That is strange, because a survey in Baltimore where Pimlico is located showed that there was something like one-tenth per cent less absenteeism during the racing season than in the previous three months when there was no racing.

You can even show that racing cures any absenteeism problem it may create. The war workers who may lose their money at the race tracks certainly will be tempted to put in more work to get back what they lost.

And to racing's patrons, the sport has the same kind of morale value that baseball claims for its fans. What is morale, anyway? It's the uplift you get from diversion, and there are all kinds of diversions. Some people prefer racing to baseball as a type of amusement, just as some people like peas and others like beans.

In California, where the application for racing dates by Hollywood and Santa Anita blew the top off racing, the situation may have had political complications. Doc Strube, the owner of the Santa Anita track, is a staunch supporter of Republican Governor Warren, who announced a week before the ban that racing would continue. It's significant perhaps that there was no racing ban in early November, before the elections.

They didn't have to make the ban on racing country-wide. Granting that California is a critical production area where there was desperate need of railroad transportation used by the horses and where there was absenteeism, the same is not true of Florida, where there are no great war industries.

The manpower racing uses is not in conflict with the war effort. Look at the mutuel clerks at any track. They're all 50, or more, or 4-F's. And the horse owners and trainers and stable hands are not skilled labor and more often than not they are scarcely fit for another occupation.

With this indefinite ban on racing, the horsemen are left squarely behind the horse. Millions of dollars in horse value is destroyed, if the ban exists for a year. A good horse has only three or four years racing value at the most. Throughout the dearth of racing, the horsemen will be forced to meet virtually the same expenses as if there was racing. The horses must be fed as regularly, and they must be exercised.

We can't debate Mr. Byrnes' statement that horse racing is not conducive to the all-out war effort, but we can show that it has been made the subject of discrimination. That is we could show it, if the horse racing business was not so cowardly in meeting so many situations.

Horse racing is timid, despite the fact it has been legalized in more than 20 States. The leaders of the industry still feel that they are operating under sufferance despite the fact that our sport contributes more in taxes and charity than any other sport in the country. We simply have to stand by and take it. The Government can't back down on its order, without impairing it's position. That's racing's tough break.

On the Line

With CONSIDINE

Boston, Dec. 27.—Talked to Gil Dodds, the flying parson, tonight, and he almost got around to saying he expected to knock Gunder Hagg's brains out—or sink his arches—when they open their eagerly awaited indoor rivalry a month from today at Madison Square Garden.

CONSIDINE

We say he almost got around to it because the preacher doesn't go in for advance predictions having anything to do with his ability. He is a small, bespectacled, pleasant young man with an abashed sense of modesty, honesty and kindness. He likes Gunder, which gives you an idea as to his charitable outlook on mankind, for Gunder is a dour, sour soul, a kind of Swedish Bill Terry, who calls the sportswriters who tried to write him up the last time he was here, "gang-ster Americans."

"He's not a bad fellow at all," the solemn divinity student whispered to me at the speakers table of the Temple Ohabei Shalom's annual father-son banquet.

"I feel a little sorry for him, running indoors for the first time in his life. It's going to be very strange for him. it's another world and he won't have much time to accustom himself to it.

"He's got an enormous stride, you know. Probably the biggest that any runner ever had, with the ossible exception of Long John Woodruff. For instance, I stride about 6 feet with I'm going right. He strides about 9 atleast. That's no good for the indoor tracks."

Dodds reported himself in first-class condition. He has toughened himself up with a lot of cross-country running. He naturally doesn't drink, smoke, chew or use bad words. Gunder, on the other hand, will be tossed into competition a short time after a rather grueling plane ride from Sweden.

"I don't know how he'll adapt himself to indoor running," said the young man who chased the Swede across seven finish lines when Gunder toured America's outdoor tracks in the summer of 1943. "I don't think he can look foroward to any record setting, at least at the start. You never know, though. The man is amazing. I haven't seen Arnne Andersson, but it's hard to believe that anybody can run a mile faster than Gunder—unless you remember that he's a Swede.

"I understand they've got three or four young fellows over there who have done the mile in better than 4:06—and you never hear about them. That's what comes from having good competition. And good conditions. Gunder told me when he was last here that I might come close to the 4-minute mile if I had a chance to run in Sweden at some of those summer meets that don't get under way until 9 or 10 at night. Remember Archie San Romani? The best mile he ever did was in Sweden."

Dodds, who should know, says it's a great experience to run against Hagg.

"He's a cute one," Dodds smiles. "He'd come to me before a race and with the aid of a translator he'd say, 'Dodds, we'll go fast today. You give it everything you've got for the first quarter—set the pace—then I'll take over for the second quarter. Then you go out and sprint through the third quarter . . .

"I used to interrupt him there and say, okay, that suits me. But you sprint through the first and third quarters and let me take over. But he'd just grin and wouldn't go for it.

"I got sucked into his stride at Los Angeles in our race out there and it nearly ruined me. I was running behind him, looking at the back of his waist, as we do when we're close, when all of a sudden I began picking up his feet. Neither of us went down, but the collision broke my stride. Gunder just moved away from me, real easily, taking those 9-foot strides and I went right after him, running as he was running. I lasted just 200 yards. It would kill a fellow like me to run like that."

Dodds told the audience, when he finally spoke, that he never stepped on a track against Hagg when he didn't believe he had a chance to whip the Swede. "I used to use the same dressing room with him, just to prove something to myself," he said. "I wanted to prove to myself that he was just like any man: that he stepped into his pants one leg at a time. Well, it didn't do me much good, for he always beat me, but I never felt I was licked until he broke the tape."

"I've never seen anything like him," Dodds declared. The fellow had such grace that he never appears to be exerting himself. "His long hair bobs up and down like a good horse's tail. He looks behind him a dozen times during the race. If he sees somebody he knows in the stands he waves to him with those big loose arms . . . while you're behind him biting cinders."

Jockeys Hurt in Three-Way Spill at Tropical

Major League Players Popular With Western Front Yanks

Dutch Leonard (left photo), Nats' pitcher, and Mel Ott, manager of the New York Giants, autograph baseball for soldier fans at a Western Front rest center. They are among players and managers of big league clubs visiting American doughboys. Associated Press WIREPHOTO

Burning Twig Takes Top; Pays $9.60

Tropical Park, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP).—Racing fans who recently saw three jockeys figure in a spectacular spill at Gulfstream Park witnessed a similar sight here this afternoon when another trio of riders went down during a jam just before the big field rounded into the stretch in the fourth race.

First reports indicated that all escaped serious injury. E. J. Daily's Hywick appeared to stumble and topple with star apprentice Biddy Mills along the rail, after which Silver Strand Stable's Darby Duluth, ridden by Georgie McMullen, and Columbus O'Donnell's Nuala, piloted by apprentice Eddie Yocum, also crashed.

Jockey Yocum Bruised

Yocum was bruised and was taken to a nearby hospital for observation purposes. Mills cancelled his next mount to rest after the shaking-up, and McMullen, last to arise after the spills, was reported unscathed.

The race was a 6-furlong dash for 2-year-olds and drew a limit field of 12, as are a big majority of the races in these "last mile" days of the sport.

E. K. Bryson's Burning Twig, whose forte is sheer speed, won the marred contest by three lengths under Billy Nichols.

Burning Twig toyed with his rivals in the run home and paid $9.60. Wee Ossie spurted from close off the pace to besecond, two lengths better than Neat and [illegible].

Another good-sized throng was present under ideal weather and track conditions for the sport.

Atkinson Add to Lead

A later report advised that McMullen might have a fractured collarbone and that he accompanied Yocum to University Hospital (Coral Gablees) for a check-up. It was believed Yocum possibly pulled some ligaments.

The three jockeys who went down at Gulfstream were John Pollard, Ernest Barber and Charles Chaffin.

Ted Atkinson added to his lead in the national jockey standing for 1944 by piloting his 284th winner in the fifth race. Toronto Ted was astride Quick Draw, a $5.40 for $2 choice which raced close up while Our Birthday was showing the way to the stretch, then bounded ahead for a length and a half victory. Our Birthday easily saved the place from War Master.

Apprentice Billy Nichols scored a double by virtue of a place triumph atop Cold Crack, a $36.10 for two shot in the Dania Handicap, for class C sprinters. The long shot dogged Charitable's trail at close range and finally got his nos ein front as they hit the wire in 1:10-3-5 for the six furlongs. Dartaway, the favorite, was third throughout the running, beaten a length and a half.

Displaying a burning brand of speed, Hilton Dabson's Nance's Ace sped 5½ furlongs in 1:03-1-5, or one-fifth slower than the track record, to account for the imp purse, sixth on the program. Paying $17.20 in the field of fillies and mares, Nance's Ace was teletimed in :22-1-5 for the first quarter-mile and :45 flat for the half. Her daylight lead dwindled in the late stages but Miami's Herb Claggett kept the filly in front by a head.

Sanoj was much too godo for the others, beating good going by five lengths for the place.

Football Roundup:

Orange Bowl Rivals Arrive On Scene; Tech Held Favorite

Miami, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP).—Both Orange Bowl football teams piled into Miami tonight and found that on-the-scene bettors had made Georgia Tech a favorite over Tulsa with the odds ranging from 7-to-5 to 2-to-1.

For even money, a Tulsa supporter could get 6, 5½ or 2 points, depending on the wagering establishment that he visited.

The odds on Tech were a little more shaky here than they were in New York, where 7-point money could be found, because Tulsa made an impression here in downing the University of Miami, 48 to 2, while using the first team for little longer than one period.

The first stringers scored six touchdowns on a couple of simple passes and a lot of sheer power.

Coach Henry Frnka, who led the last contingent of Tulsans into town, seemed a little pleased to learn that his team is the underdog.

"Odds against us, eh?" he exclaimed. "Nothing new to us.

"The odds were against us when we played Tennessee (in the 1943 Sugar Bowl) and Georgia Tech (in the 1944 Sugar Bowl.) We lost those games, all right, but I still like it. I wouldn't change it if I could.

"Anyway, Tech deserves to be favorite. If we can win this one I'll surely consider it an upset—and I guess Tech will too."

Assistant Coach Buddy Brothers put the 21 Tulsa players who arrived last night through a workout today on the University of Miami field.

The players were put through calisthenics, then went into a long passing session, during which even the guards and the centers had a chance to catch tosses.

Since Georgia Tech's offense is built on passing, spectators inferred that the linemen were getting a lot of pass-interception practice.

T.C.U.'s Chronister Out Of Cotton Bowl Game

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 27 (AP).—Coach Dutch Meyer of Texas Christian today announced the loss of Zeke Chronister, regular end, for the Cotton Bowl came with Oklahoma A. and M. but refused to retreat from his optimistic statements that "it will be a battle and there may be some surprises."

Meyer had received a letter from Chronister, who played 275 minutes of the regular season, that he would stay with his job with a chemical company in Chicago.

A. L. Players Set Four New Fielding Marks

By Jerry Liska

Chicago, Dec. 27 (AP).—American Leaguers last season tumbled four major league fielding records and tied another, while Manager Lou Boudreau of Cleveland brilliantly added top defensive shortstop honors to his league batting championship, official figures disclosed today.

Catlike Boudreau's hitting mark of .327 was the league's lowest winning average in 36 years, but his fielding average of .978 broke the league standard at short and paced the Indians to a tie with New York for team fielding laurels at .974.

The Tribe pilot shattered the major league record for participating in double plays at short with 134, topping the mark of 128 set by Horace Ford of Cincinnati in 1928.

Two Other Marks Fall

Two other major league records fell when Frankie Hayes of Philadelphia matched the National loop performance of Cincinnati's Ray Mueller by catching 155 consecutive games. This bettered the 1909 record of 133 straight games caught by George Gibson of Pittsburgh and 151 appearances by Ray Schalk of the White Sox in 1920.

Although George McQuinn of St. Louis led the first basemen in fielding with .994, Rudy York of Detroit cracked the major league record for participating in double plays at the initial sack with 163. The former mark was 157 shared by the late Lou Gehrig of New York and McQuinn. Shortstop John Sullivan of Washington tied a major league record when he had a hand in five twin killings in a single game August 13.

Rounding out the league's all-star defensive infield were George Stirnweiss of New York at second base (.982) and Mark Christman of the Browns at third base (.972).

Tucker Tops Gardeners

Best fielding outfielder was Chicago's Thurman Tucker, who handled 430 chances with only four errors, for .991. Johnny Lindell of the Yankees (.986) accepted the most outfield chances, 484.

Filding honors behind the plate were shared by Catchers Buddy Rosar of Cleveland and Roy Partee of Boston at .989. Nineteen pitchers, three fewer than in 1943, turned in perfect fielding records for 10 or more games.

League fielding slumped two points from 1943 to .971, while Oscar Grimes of New York hung up some sort of a league record when he made three successive errors at third in one inning on July 2.

Tropical Park To Close Jan. 2

Miami, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP).—Alex Balfe, chairman of the Florida State Racing Commission, today notified Tropical Park that under the Government request the last day of racing will be on January 2.

Tropical previously had announced that its meeting would run through January 3.

Rainless Orange Bowls

Miami, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP).—The sponsors keep their fingers crossed, but—

It has never rained on an Orange Bowl game.

Weather Bureau records show that January 1 is about the driest day on the Miami calendar.

College 4-Fs Can Also Expect Draft Review

Military 4F's currently performing in 1-A fashion for college athletic teams may expect to hear from their local draft board one of these days, according to the United Press.

The Office of War Mobilization said yesterday that Director James F. Byrnes' recent order instructing the selective service system to review 4-F classifications of professional athletes applies also to college sports figures.

Although the Byrnes directive does not call for any revolutionary change in established selective service practice, officials said it might have the effect of speeding review of "borderline" cases.

Selective service officials pointed out that no athlete, college or professional, is deferrable because he is an athlete. Moreover, they added, the armed forces, not the draft boards, determine the physical qualifications for military service.

"A man with a punctured eardrum might be a 4-F and still able to sprint 90 yards to a touchdown in the last 30 seconds of play," one official said.

There frequently are instances in which a registrant has a slight defect which may correct itself subsequently. He would be classified 4-F but six months later might be placed in 1-A it was pointed out.

Local draft boards have made a practice of reviewing these "borderline" cases all along, it was said. As a result of Byrnes' directive, they may be expected to speed up the process, it was suggested.

Officials said Selective Service has been taking thousands of college athletes in the regular course of trying to meet calls of the armed forces. When an athlete is rejected for physical reasons, it was said, neither he nor his local board is subject to criticism because neither has anything to do with setting the qualifications for military service.

In any event, an official said, the number of 4-F's on college sports teams "is not so large." He would not try to estimate what the actual number is.

3541 Turn Out to Bet On Basque at Miami

Miami, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP).—The race tracks, faced with a shutdown January 3, are not the only places drawing big betting crowds here.

Christmas night 3541 spectators attended the opening of the Jai Alai Fronton and bet a totar of $38,295—a large sum to be wagered on the basque game.

The game, if your are unfamiliar with it, resembles handball played by acrobats.

Effective Jan. 31

Swope Resigns as Chairman Of N. Y. Racing Commission

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 27 (AP).—Governor Dewey announced today the resignation of Herbert Bayard Swope as chairman of the New York State Racing Commission.

The resignation submitted by Swope December 20 is effective January 31.

Swope said in his letter to the Governor that "for the 10 years that I have been chairman of the State Racing Commission there was satisfaction in helping to draft and enact the regulations under which the turf operates in this State, particularly after the people voted for the parimutuel system, which began in 1940.

"Now I find, with regret, that I cannot continue to work on this body because of other duties."

Governor Dewey in his letter of reply, dated December 22, told Swope his services as chairman "have been marked by high efficiency." The Governor said it was "gratifying" that Swope would continue as vice chairman of the Long Island Park Commission.

Swope's current six-year term as chairman of the racing commission expires May 1, 1947. The position carries no salary.

White House Denies Modification of Ban

A rumor in sporting circles that War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes had modified his order that horse and dog racing cease by January 3 was denied yesterday by the White House.

The report was that racing would be permitted three days weekly.

"Any report of any modification of the original order is untrue," a spokesman for Byrnes said to the United Press.

Thoroughbred Racing Group Pledges Support

New York, ec. 27 (AP).—The board of directors of the Thoroughbred Racing Associations today pledged its support and recommended to its 33 member racing association complete compliance with War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes' request that all tracks close their gates January 3.

Support of Byrnes' action was given in a telegram to the War Mobilization head. At the same time the board went on record as opposed to any track asking permission to operate two or three days a week.

Friends Bows, 38 to 27

The Friends School Alumni basketball team easily defeated the varsity yesterday, 38 to 27, in the teams' annual game at Friends.

Bob Smith and Billy Bernard were Alumni big guns, with Smith totaling 17 points and Bernard 9.

Racing Ban Is No Holiday For Horses

Miami, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP).—The racing ban dont' mean a holiday, not for most of the horses, anyway.

Almost all major stables campaigning in Florida will keep their thoroughbreds in training—just in case.

"We want to be ready when racing is resumed again," explained Ben Jones, trainer for the Calumet Farm.

"If we turned out our horses, it would take three months to bring them back into condition again. But if we keep them in light training, then we will be ready to race any time the government gives the sport a go ahead."

Yearlings Worked Harder

Yearlings will be worked harder than their already-thoroughly-broken elders, but even Twilight Tear, the glamorous horse of the year, will be kept in shape until the bugle sounds "to the post" again.

"We'll just keep our string of 44 horses at Hialeah Race course for the rest of the winter," Jones said. "They'll go through about the same routine as though racing were being continued."

E. L. Cotton, trainer for the 18 Greentree Stable horses stabled at Miami, said that he will keep them here at work, and concentrate on the yearlings.

"We want to find out what they can do," Cotton said.

The 32 horses of the Herbert Wolff string will be shipped to Woolford Farm, near Kansas City, the first group leaving Friday and the others following at the end of the Tropical Park meeting, which coincides with the beginning of the ban.

Workout at Woolford

"We have an excellent three-quarter-mile track at Woolford Farms and will work out whenever the weather permits," said Trainer Ross Higdon. "We'll resume full-scale operations in the spring."

None of the other big stables announced plans for shipping.

The 25 Walter J. Chrysler, jr., horses will be kept here until late February, except for a few which will be sent back to Virginia for breeding purposes.

Boxing Lessons For Boys Given At Many Clubs

Free amateur boxing classes have been established for any youngstr desiring to learn under capable supervision at the following clubs and under coaches of the Metropolitan Amateur Bozers' Coaches Association. All a boy has to have is the desire to learn and report or contact the coaches at the clubs listed. If a boy shows enough aptitude he will be entered in The Washington Post DCAAU Battle of Belts championships, which start January 18 at Turner's Arena. All equipmnt will be furnished free.

Apollo A. C.
645 H st. ne.
Billy Blake, coach.

Liberty Amateur Boxing Club
419 9th st. nw.
Lew Hanbury, sr., coach.

Merrick Boys Club
608 Massachusetts ave. ne.
Lou Jamison, coach.

Pete's Southwest A. C.
472 N st. sw.
John Kennett, coach.

St. Mary's Boys' Club
418 Duke st.
Alexandria, Va.
Naiman Massey coach.

Boys' Club of Washington
17th st. and Massachusetts ave. se.
Steve Mamakos, coach.

Boys' Club o. Washington
Georgetown Branch
2726 M st. nw.
Joe Brown, coach.

Pieces of Haight . . .

Marietta Park, D. C.

Dear Boss,

Pity the absent-minded horse player on January 3 when the screws are tightened down on racing. Boss, maybe this is what will happen:

HAIGHT

Shortly after noon he goes into a phone booth whistling, dials the number of his favorite bookie, and smiles as he hears the bell ringing.

"Hello, what you want?" comes the bookie's voice.

"This is E. K. I'll take a daily double on 9 and 7 at Tropical and you better give me 3 and 6 today, too, my wife is celebrating her thirty-sixth birthday," says the horse player with a gleeful tone.

"What are you doing, E. K.?" come back the bookie, "You must be trying to kid yourself."

"What do you mean? You scared to take my play because I hit you for the $54 double last week?"

"Now listen, Tropical ain't running today. Don't you understand?"

"What do you know? No Tropical," ponders the horse player, "Never liked that track, any way. O. K. forget Tropical and give me those same doubles at New Orleans and I got a hunch on No. 5 in the fifth. Give me a sawbuck across the board."

"Listen E. K.—New Orleans ain't going today either."

"What about Santa Anita?"

"Don't you understand, fellow? All the tracks in the country are closed. No Tropical, no New Orleans, no Santa Anita, no nothing—get me? No action. Just like today's Sunday. Understand."

"Ain't that awful," moans the horse player. "This is pay day and I had a hunch I'd make a killing. What's the idea of closing the tracks? Who did it?"

"A gun in Washington named Byrnes. He believes closing the tracks is going to help us win the war," informs the bookie. "So all the tracks fold, see?"

"Yeah, I get it. No racing, eh?" comes the horse player, hangs up and mutters to himself, "Wonder where I can find a dice game?"

Late in the afternoon the phone rings in Mr. Byrnes' office at the War Manpower Commission. He answers and a voice comes over the wire:

"Is this Mr. Byrnes? Are you Mr. Byrnes, director of war mobilization? Then you are the Mr. Byrnes who cut out all the racing? Well, I ust wanted to tell you, Mr. Byrnes, the joke's on you. Ha! Ha! I went broke anyway!"

As ever,
POUNDS HAIGHT.

P. S.—I saw a man today trying to hail a cab and singing, "I'll be home for NEXT Christmas."

Official American League Fielding Averages, 1944

CLUB FIELDING

Club	G	DP	TP	PO	A	E	TC	Pct.
Cleveland	155	192	0	10	4258	1928	165	6351 .974
New York	154	170	0	9	4171	1707	156	6034 .974
St. Louis	154	142	1	12	4190	1745	171	6106 .972
Boston	156	154	0	12	4183	1792	171	6146 .972
Philadelphia	155	127	0	12	4198	1750	176	6121 .971
Detroit	154	184	0	12	4200	1950	180	6330 .970
Chicago	154	154	2	18	4173	1851	182	6189 .970
Washington	154	156	1	32	4143	1747	216	6108 .964
Totals		1279	4	117	33515	14450	1430	49295 .971

INDIVIDUAL FIELDING RECORDS
Ten or More Games

FIRST BASEMEN

Name and Club	Throws	G	PO	A	E	TC	DP	Pct.
Cherisk, St. Louis	L	152	1529	97	9	1635	134	1.000
Carnett, Chicago	L	25	220	15	2	237	18	.906
Mequinn, St. Louis	L	146	1332	72	9	1413	116	.994
Mecca, Cleveland	L	155	1467	126	11	1604	158	.993
Trosky, Chicago	R	130	1110	57	9	1176	122	.993
Siebert, Philadelphia	L	74	661	48	5	714	60	.993
Sitea, New York	L	154	1362	106	16	1504	144	.989
Cullenbine, Detroit	L	151	1453	107	17	1577	163	.989
McGilles, Philadelphia	L	71	701	46	5	753	51	.993
Wistert, Washington	L	138	1251	83	17	1351	119	.987
Pinney, Boston	R	59	521	23	7	551	53	.987
Wellnovich, Boston	L	50	469	33	7	509	39	.986
Clift, Washington	R	42	428	27	9	464	30	.981
Betts, Washington	R	14	95	7	3	105	8	.972

Triple Plays—Carnett, McQuinn, Trosky, Kuhel.

SECOND BASEMEN

Name and Club	Throws	G	PO	A	E	TC	DP	Pct.
Wilrwette, New York	R	154	433	481	17	931	113	.982
Hall, Philadelphia	R	97	248	286	11	545	40	.980
Myatt, Washington	R	12	24	23	1	47	5	.979
Baker, St. Louis	R	1	1	2	1	4	1	.875
Mayo, Detroit	R	143	364	458	19	861	120	.978
Doerr, Boston	R	125	341	363	17	721	96	.976
Busch, Cleveland	R	69	151	189	5	340	45	.979
Schalk, Chicago	R	142	360	391	28	779	109	.964
Cutteridge, St. Louis	R	146	368	407	35	810	95	.957
Myatt, Washington	R	121	341	299	29	669	81	.957
Mallrich, Philadelphia	R	53	78	88	8	174	22	.954
Bucher, Boston	R	21	51	49	5	105	15	.952
Mack, Cleveland	R	83	226	243	24	493	73	.951
Vaughn, Washington	R	28	61	70	6	137	18	.948
Busch, Philadelphia	R	54	151	141	7	299	45	.942
Grant, Cleveland	R	30	41	47	7	95	6	.926

Triple Plays—Outlerige, Myatt, Schalk.

THIRD BASEMEN

Name and Club	Throws	G	PO	A	E	TC	DP	Pct.
Clary, St. Louis	R	11	10	19	0	29	2	1.000
Christman, St. Louis	R	145	172	316	14	502	34	.972
Keltner, Cleveland	R	149	168	360	16	535	37	.969
Cucinnello, Chicago	R	30	31	63	4	98	5	.959
Kell, Philadelphia	R	139	167	289	20	476	25	.958
Bucher, Boston	R	44	48	89	6	143	10	.958
Richard, Detroit	R	140	146	311	22	479	21	.954
Torve, Washington	R	123	120	297	21	438	25	.952
Fabig, Boston	R	114	125	258	20	403	14	.950
Sayle, Washington	R	18	17	39	3	59	1	.949
Metzger, New York	R	90	46	100	10	185	11	.946
Grimes, New York	R	97	105	189	17	311	14	.945
Hodgin, Chicago	R	82	77	215	18	310	22	.942
Clarke, Chicago	R	45	36	107	9	152	8	.941
Burns, Philadelphia	R	15	14	20	3	37	2	.919
Orenge, Detroit	R	11	11	30	4	45	1	.911
Cliff, Washington	R	12	10	22	6	38	2	.842

Triple Plays—Hodgin, Christman.

SHORTSTOPS

Name and Club	Throws	G	PO	A	E	TC	DP	Pct.
Boudreau, Cleveland	R	149	1329	516	19	874	134	.978
Peckins, Cleveland	R	13	20	16	1	42	5	.976
Mayo, Detroit	R	11	17	40	2	59	5	.966
Newsome, Boston	R	126	249	421	26	696	79	.963
Trosetti, New York	R	111	191	311	11	513	72	.960
Stephens, St. Louis	R	143	329	480	35	754	71	.954
Milosevich, New York	R	91	176	231	22	479	68	.954
Webb, Chicago	R	135	202	461	39	702	81	.944
Hall, Philadelphia	R	111	304	334	34	572	50	.940
Baker, St. Louis	R	16	17	46	4	67	8	.940
Hall, Philadelphia	R	40	86	132	15	233	29	.936
Sullivan, Washington	R	138	276	426	50	752	89	.934
Mayo, Detroit	R	119	256	405	48	709	102	.933
Michaels, Chicago	R	21	36	70	8	114	12	.930
Grimes, New York	R	20	35	57	7	99	10	.929
Cake, Boston	R	41	53	100	12	165	28	.927
Cremens, Detroit	R	54	86	155	15	255	30	.853
Myatt, Washington	R	15	35	40	12	87	9	.862

Triple Play—Webb.

OUTFIELDERS

Name and Club	Throws	G	PO	A	E	TC	DP	Pct.
Lasle, St. Louis	R	55	108	3	0	111	2	1.000
Welsh, Chicago	R	33	93	1	0	94	0	1.000
Wakefield, Detroit-Philadelphia	R	31	59	2	0	61	0	1.000
Vernik, Washington	R	12	16	0	0	16	0	1.000
Mayfield, Boston	R	57	113	8	1	122	1	.992
Tucker, Chicago	R	120	414	12	4	430	2	.991
Binks, Washington	R	150	434	29	5	468	9	.989
Kokalis, Philadelphia	R	128	316	12	4	334	4	.988
Fox, Boston	R	119	228	7	3	238	1	.987
Lindell, New York	R	149	468	9	7	484	3	.986
Kreevich, St. Louis	R	100	282	4	3	290	0	.986
Searcy, Cleveland	R	86	196	8	3	207	1	.986
Garrison, Boston-Philadelphia	R	131	320	6	5	331	0	.985
Hostetler, Detroit	R	46	129	3	2	134	1	.985
Hockett, Cleveland	R	110	275	6	3	286	1	.983
Cramer, Detroit	R	141	337	13	7	357	2	.980
Powell, Washington	R	92	196	5	4	205	0	.980
Sutherin, Boston	R	82	182	8	3	193	2	.979
Rosenthal, New York-Philadelphia	L	45	92	3	2	96	2	.979
Johnson, Boston	R	142	270	23	7	300	3	.977
Barilla, St. Louis	R	79	167	4	4	175	1	.977
Byrnes, St. Louis	L	123	283	7	7	296	1	.976
Moses, Chicago	L	134	267	7	7	281	2	.975
Dickshot, Chicago	R	40	72	3	2	77	1	.974
Case, Washington	R	114	288	7	9	304	2	.970
Gayer, St. Louis-Philadelphia	L	78	188	7	6	201	3	.970
Demaree, St. Louis	R	16	30	1	1	32	0	.969
Moore, St. Louis	L	98	208	5	7	220	2	.968
Cullenbine, Cleveland	R	151	275	14	10	300	6	.967
Culiaw, Detroit	R	137	254	14	10	278	2	.964
Martin, New York	R	80	177	8	7	192	4	.964
Wakefield, Detroit	R	78	155	3	6	164	1	.963
Levy, New York	R	86	75	2	3	80	0	.963
Finkelstein, Boston	R	83	243	8	10	260	2	.962
Rose, Detroit	R	37	67	2	3	72	1	.958
Stainback, New York	R	34	44	1	2	47	0	.957
Mahoney, New York	L	132	232	9	11	251	2	.956
Burns, Philadelphia	L	22	82	3	1	86	0	.955
Siebert, Philadelphia	L	58	98	5	5	108	2	.954
Heath, Cleveland	R	37	76	4	4	84	2	.952
Berg, Chicago-Cleveland	R	90	200	11	11	222	4	.950
Carnett, Chicago	L	88	197	7	11	217	0	.949
White, Philadelphia	R	74	162	5	9	176	2	.949
Gritz, Washington	R	80	165	3	9	176	1	.949
O'Dea, Cleveland	R	41	72	2	4	78	1	.949
Derry, New York	R	28	54	2	3	59	0	.949
Outright, Chicago	R	51	101	8	6	115	3	.948
Boland, Washington	L	14	32	2	3	37	0	.889

PITCHERS

Name and Club	Throws	G	PO	A	E	TC	DP	Pct.
Lopat, Chicago	L	27	9	44	0	53	4	1.000
Jakucki, St. Louis	R	36	7	44	0	51	3	1.000
Newsom, Philadelphia	R	37	3	45	0	48	0	1.000
Smith, Washington	R	33	5	37	0	42	3	1.000
Klinger, Washington	R	24	7	29	0	36	2	1.000
Muncrief, Boston	R	32	8	25	0	33	0	1.000
Terry, Boston	R	27	2	29	0	31	2	1.000
Wyatt, New York	R	30	4	24	0	28	4	1.000
Caldwell, Washington	R	28	4	17	0	21	4	1.000
Hollingsworth, St. Louis	L	26	3	14	0	17	0	1.000
Carter, St. Louis	R	42	3	10	0	13	0	1.000
Scheib, Philadelphia	R	15	0	13	0	13	2	1.000
Orrell, Detroit	R	10	1	8	0	9	0	1.000
Rose, Chicago	R	20	1	8	0	9	0	1.000
Queen, New York	R	10	1	7	0	8	0	1.000
Soldak, St. Louis	L	16	0	8	0	8	2	1.000
Lyons, New York	R	11	1	4	0	5	0	1.000
Wheaton, Philadelphia	L	11	0	4	0	4	0	1.000
West, St. Louis	L	11	0	4	0	4	0	1.000
Newhouser, Detroit	L	47	9	61	1	71	5	.986
Borowy, New York	R	35	13	47	1	61	5	.984
Overmire, Detroit	L	32	13	48	1	62	3	.983
Haefner, Washington	L	31	8	45	1	54	5	.981
Muncrief, St. Louis	R	33	16	35	1	52	1	.981
Smith, Cleveland	L	28	4	48	1	51	2	.980
Wood, Boston	R	38	13	37	1	51	3	.980
Kleinman, Cleveland	R	47	15	35	1	51	2	.980
Gentry, Detroit	R	37	5	43	1	49	6	.980
Fiores, Philadelphia	R	27	9	33	1	43	0	.977
Harris, Philadelphia	R	33	9	32	1	42	3	.976
Black, Philadelphia	R	29	7	32	1	40	3	.975
Wynn, Washington	R	33	4	31	1	36	4	.972
Benham, New York	R	26	8	26	1	35	5	.971
Dubiel, New York	R	30	13	45	2	60	2	.967
Gumbert, Detroit	R	34	17	42	3	61	5	.967
Reynolds, Cleveland	R	28	5	21	1	30	3	.967
Trout, Detroit	R	49	21	94	4	119	8	.966
Christopher, Philadelphia	R	35	27	58	3	88	5	.966
Kramer, St. Louis	R	33	10	62	3	75	5	.960
Grove, Chicago	R	34	6	64	3	73	3	.959
Hughson, Boston	R	28	9	35	2	46	0	.957
Harder, Cleveland	R	30	11	34	2	47	3	.957
Zuber, New York	R	22	6	16	1	23	0	.957
O'Neill, Boston	R	26	3	19	1	23	0	.957
Potter, St. Louis	R	32	11	37	3	51	2	.955
Leonard, Washington	R	32	7	53	3	63	2	.952
Berry, Philadelphia	R	53	14	26	3	42	2	.952
Dietrich, Chicago	R	36	10	46	3	59	0	.949
Lee, Chicago	L	15	3	22	2	27	2	.944
Bonser, New York	R	16	4	13	1	18	1	.944
Page, New York	L	19	3	14	1	18	1	.944
Post, Cleveland	R	36	6	11	1	18	3	.944
Caster, Cleveland	R	35	10	23	2	34	3	.941
Ryba, Boston	R	42	8	38	3	49	3	.939
Bowman, Boston	R	26	9	20	3	31	3	.935
LeFevre, Washington	L	24	1	13	1	15	2	.933
Haynes, Chicago	R	33	10	31	3	44	3	.933
Carrasquel, Washington	R	43	7	32	3	42	3	.929
Memphiries, Chicago	R	30	3	22	3	27	0	.926
Scott, Boston	R	11	0	11	1	12	0	.917
Berry, Cleveland	R	13	0	10	1	11	4	.913
Barrett, Boston	R	38	5	16	3	23	1	.913
Calvert, Cleveland	R	35	9	21	3	33	2	.909
Kennedy, Cleveland	R	12	6	4	2	12	1	.900
Herring, Cleveland	R	63	5	29	4	38	0	.895
Maltberger, Chicago	R	46	1	16	2	19	0	.895
Galehouse, St. Louis	R	24	3	21	3	27	0	.889
Kleins, Cleveland	L	11	1	6	1	8	0	.875
Mooty, Detroit	R	13	3	4	1	8	0	.875
Shirley, St. Louis	R	23	6	7	3	15	1	.867
Beck, Detroit	R	28	0	6	1	7	1	.857
Hamlin, Philadelphia	L	20	1	19	4	24	1	.833
Wade, Chicago	L	19	1	4	1	6	1	.833
Turner, New York	R	35	3	6	3	10	0	.800
Johnson, New York	R	22	3	1	1	4	0	.750

CATCHERS

Name and Club	Throws	G	PO	A	E	TC	DP	Pct.	FB
Garbark, Philadelphia	R	15	23	1	0	24	0	1.000	0
Castino, Chicago	R	36	85	16	2	103	4	.990	2
Heser, Cleveland	R	98	409	50	5	473	13	.989	2
Partee, Boston	R	85	326	40	4	370	5	.989	6
Garbark, New York	R	85	372	47	5	424	9	.988	7
Schlueter, Cleveland	R	43	122	9	2	133	4	.985	4
Hemsley, New York	R	76	288	41	5	345	7	.983	1
Hayes, Philadelphia	R	155	636	89	13	738	10	.982	12
Swift, Detroit	R	76	288	48	6	342	4	.982	5
Ferrel, Washington	R	96	403	71	8	482	8	.981	20
Tresh, Chicago	R	93	370	47	8	425	5	.981	10
Richards, Detroit	R	90	413	60	10	483	13	.979	7
Conroy, Boston	R	19	60	9	2	71	2	.972	2
Wagner, Philadelphia-Boston	R	68	300	39	10	349	4	.971	4
Hayworth, St. Louis	R	86	336	39	13	388	4	.966	6
Guerra, Washington	R	58	211	32	10	253	8	.960	12
Turner, Chicago-St. Louis	R	47	149	7	7	163	2	.960	1
Masucci, St. Louis	R	97	311	35	17	363	9	.953	5
Suero, Cleveland	R	29	78	13	5	96	3	.948	3
Jordan, Chicago	R	14	48	6	3	57	0	.947	1
McDonnell, Cleveland	R	13	40	5	5	50	1	.900	0

Triple Play—Turner.

Blake Still Leads In Hockey Scoring

Montreal, Dec. 27 (U.P.).—Two veterans of National Hockey League warfare, Hector (Toe) Blake of the Montreal Canadiens and Bill Cowley of the Boston Bruins, continued their close battle last week for the scoring leadership, official figures released today disclosed.

Although they picked up only one point each, Blake held the lead with 15 goals and 19 assists for 34 points while Cowley was second with 33.

Syd Howe of Detroit's fast rising Red Wings climbed into a third place tie with Elmer Lach of the Canadiens when he scored four points. Both have a total of 28. Maurice Richard, the Canadiens' star 22-year-old wing, was fifth with 25 followed by Clint Smith of the Chicago Blackhawks with 24.

Cowley continued to top the league in assists with 22 while Richard led in goals with 19.

Navy Order Blocks Lesnevich Fight

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 27 (U.P.).—The 10-round nontitle fight scheduled for tonight between Gus Lesnevich, light heavyweight champion, and Phil Muscato was cancelled today when the Fairview Athletic Club was advised that Les Nevich was forbidden to fight under a new Navy order.

The order, Navy officials at Washington informed the club, prohibited any "athlete in uniform" from participating "in professional athletics while on furlough."

Les Nevich, a carpenter's mate first class, is on a 14-day furlough.

Smyth Oeffers Reward

Toronto, Dec. 27 (AP).—Maj. Conny Smythe, managing director of the Toronto Maple Leafs in the National Hockey League, today offered a $1000 reward to anyone who could persuade Montreal to sell their star, Maurice Richard, to Toronto for $25,000.

Tropical Entries and Results

Entries

By the Associated Press

1—5½; $1200; 2-year-olds up; claiming.

Field Under	118	Hard Shell	110
Valdina Clown	110	Fetchings Bar	110
David B. Jr.	117	Viajo	110
Pathos	107	Belmeiad	110
Say Sandy	110	Valdina Rocket	105
Valette H.	108	Psychiatrist	110
El Ouena	111	Easy Blend	116
North Fire	110	Vouster	115
Dridas	116	Sword	113

2—5½; $1200; 2-year-olds; claiming.

La Cacica	109	Clyde T.	113
Valdina Hitzer	112	Wayne County	113
Vegas Jim	117	Night Man	112
Jr. O'Sullivan	117	Vampire	109
Try Hal	112	Army Cycle	109
Sir Jinx	112	Fire Flyer	112
Harvest	112	Double Flag	113
F. S. Munns	120	Minta H.	104
Not Tomorrow	112	Lucky Lass	109

3—5½; $1300; maiden 2-year-olds.

Two Two	117	Babians	117
Heartiest	117	Kalien	117
Swag	117	Pharamonde	117
Marie J.	117	Ore the Lea	117
Alarush	117	Foreladv	117
Sir High	117	Borjeson	117
Four Queens	112	Dolly Varden	117
Fall Flight	117	Counter	117
Mal	117	Miss Balladier	117

4—5½; $1300; maiden 3-year-olds up.

Tide Run	115	Iced Over	118
One Century	118	Last Step	118
Silver Spy	118	Dive Bomber	113
Supervillle	118	Jupiter Jr.	115
Peace Bells	115	Sky Skipper	118
Red Fox	118	Estate	115
Peter Pan	118	Nat's Reward	118
Mackabry	118	Marfarm	120
Silk	115		

5—5½; $1500; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Pompeco	108	Spare Man	116
Boy Angler	111	Happy Lark	114
Noonday Sun	108	Even Stitch	108
Leicester	108	Dog Day	116
Seamanslike	108	Respire	108
Albatross	108	Pindar	120
Theseus	111	Chicago Dr.	116
Hill Sun	116	Valdina Bright	107
Cousin Mac	105	Sun Flame	108

6—1-70; $1500; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Tool Maker	113	Spangled Game	107
Squadron	111	O. K. Sugar	111
Ee Rolls	117	Hazard	108
Reaping Gem	109	F. D. Ex.	102
Bottle Imp	112	Liberty Pan	111
One Only	111	Peppy Miss	107
Brenner Pass	114	Bold Dan	111
By Conscript	111	Towanee	114
Amble Tint	111	Sugar Ration	111

7—1½; $2500; 3-year-olds up; handicap.

Tidy Reward	106	First Draft	122
Dora Dear	118	Barum	115
St. Jock	116	Clansman	106
Hi Neighbor	108	Alfios	114

8—5½; $1400; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Full Cry	111	Darby Ducat	108
Red Dock	117	Roman Red	105
Desert Ace	113	Reaping Gold	112
Milleave	114	Knar of Audley	111
War Glenn	117	Peace Fleet	109
His Highness	109	Yukon	111
Up the Creek	114	Pres Duchess	104
Canee	104	Top Sergeant	117
Adviser	111	Double Brab	109

9—1-70; $1300; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Relay	111	Misty Mark	116
Sting Lightly	99	Busy Madeline	104
Roman Matron	110	Buckboard	114
Fleet Admiral	111	Cake Gravy	109
Briar Play	106	Stell	116
Histrionic	114	Riverbank	108
Flying Junior	112	Conrad Mann	117
Miss Monarch	108	Winning Smile	108
Here Goes	117	Pompa Negri	114

Results

1—⅝; $1200; 2-year-olds; claiming.

Perfect Charge, 113 (Mills)		5.60	3.30	2.90
Abrego, 117 (Yocum)			7.50	4.80
Billy F., 109 (Fischer)				11.50

Rosemere Chief, Dauntless Bo, Flood Mark, Rain Case, Taxi King, Rumoresque, Oxford Blue, Jacopo Mexico, Pilates Own also ran. Time, 1:11 4-5.

2—¾; $1200; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Miss Jo Jo, 105 (Lindberg)		3.20	2.60	2.50
Lilsen, 111 (Atkinson)			4.90	3.70
Glanstader, 100 (Nichols)				6.20

Olga S., Millibriar, Speedway, Shake Sir, Fortunatus, Kalamazoo, Town Boy, Double Bourbon also ran. Time, 1:11 1-5.

DAILY DOUBLE PAID $10.50.

3—1½; $1300; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Single, 111 (Buxton)		6.40	4.10	3.40
Thaler, 121 (Best)			8.40	5.60
Ben Gray, 111 (Yocum)				4.90

Gallant Dick, Elcinap, Juanita M., Ava Demand, Sea Command, Precious Years, Barnacle, War Art, Diah also ran. Time, 1:52.

4—⅝; $1300; 2-year-olds; allowances.

Burning Twig, 109 (Nichols)		9.60	6.20	4.10
Wes Onsje, 114 (McCoy)			7.50	4.90
Neat and Tidy, 113 (Reeves)				15.00

Sangone, Hywick, Albuill, Toy Bomb, Turbulence, Reply Paid, Nuala, Darby Duluth, Any Time Anne also ran. Time, 1:11 2-5.

5—1-70; $1400; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Quick Draw, 104 (Atkinson)		5.40	3.90	3.50
Our Birthday, 116 (Campbell)			6.50	5.10
War Master, 108 (Chagrett)				9.60

Rough News, Sunabo, Dairy Lady, Feel Call, Wiseshot, Take Courage, Winter Rules, Budgetser, Senate also ran. Time, 1:42 2-5.

6—5½; $2000; 3-year-olds up; allowances.

Nance's Ace, 112 (Chagrett)		17.20	9.40	5.70
Sanol, 106 (Atkinson)			5.80	4.20
Good Going, 107 (Nichols)				3.90

Bridlespur, Augustina, Green Apples, Windmill, New Flame, Topsy Sue, Esterita, Tellmenow also ran. Time, 1:03 1-5.

7—5½; $2000; 3-year-olds up; handicap.

Cold Creek, 114 (Nichols)		36.10	16.30	4.70
Charitable, 114 (Campbell)			4.90	3.10
Darlaway, 111 (Roberts)				2.80

Freeland's Lad, Baruna, Skytracer, Edemgee, Transformer, Marchon, Cashleman, Miss J. also ran. Time, 1:10 3-5.

8—5½; $2300; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Alan F., 112 (Mills)		11.20	5.70	4.50
Rekrah, 107 (Fischer)			33.10	14.90
Top Transit, 115 (Borsell)				7.30

Bayorita, Friend or Foe, Two Kick, Twink Shot, Crazy Horse, Ralicus, Manadroit, Observer, War Shy also ran. Time, 1:11.

9—1½; $1300; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Light Reign, 116 (Atkinson)		3.70	3.20	2.50
Bobtown, 107 (Mills)			17.00	6.10
Hargram, 116 (Higley)				3.30

Still Gallant, Lostahat, Lady Golden, Alca, O'Goody, Oakmont, Block Buster, Mumbis Peg also ran. Time, 1:22.

TROPICAL PARK SELECTIONS (Fast)
1—Selmatad, David B. Jr., Easy Blend.
2—La Cacica, Circus Flag, F. S. Munns.
3—Alarush, Marie J., Dolly Varden.
4—Peace Bells, One Century, Marfarm.
5—Noonday Sun, Sky Angler, Albatross.
6—Liberty Pan, Bottle Imp, Peppy Miss.
7—FIRST DRAFT, Alfios, Hi Neighbor.
8—Red Dock, Full Cry, Up the Creek.
9—Histrionic, Here Goes, Conrad Mann.
—Louisville Times (AP).

Post Consensus

AT TROPICAL PARK (Fast)
1—David B. Jr., Dridas, Voucher.
2—Jr. O'Sullivan, Circus Flag, Vegas Jim.
3—Pharamonde, Mal, Two Ten.
4—One Century, Peace Bells, Silk.
5—Dog Day, Sky Angler, Chicago Dr.
6—TOOLMAKER, Hazard, Amble Tint.
7—St. Jock, Alfios, Clansman.
8—Desert Ace, Reaping Gold, Full Cry.
9—Riverbank, Histrionic, Briar Play.

All His Boys

Thirty-one booters have been named to the soccer all-America during Bill Jeffrey's coaching regime at Penn State.

Gallaudet Cagers Play Marines at Quantico Tonight

Gallaudet College's basketball team faces one of its toughest assignments of the season tonight when the Blue Bisons clash with a strong Marine quintet at Quantico.

Coach Paul Baldridge's Bisons have captured four games out six, their latest victim being University of Maryland, 27 to 26. Quantico is undefeated in five and will rule a slight favorite tonight.

The Bisons will be without the services of their ace center, Wayne Schlieff. Schlieff has dropped out of school due to scholastic troubles and his plac ewill be filled by Tommy Cuscaden. Roy Holcomb, the Bisons' leading scorer, and Lyle Mortensen will start at forwards and Leslie Massey and Tom Fishler will open at guards. Ed Witczak is expected to see plenty of action, also, either at forward or center.

Gallaudet's next home appearance will be Januray 5 when it plays American U. at Roosevelt gym.

Badger Grid Star Headed for West Point

San Francisco, Dec. 27 (AP).—Earl Girard, University of Wisconsin halfback who will play for the West in the New Year's Day East-West football game, is heading for West Point.

The 18-year-old ballhawk said today he planned to finish the present semester at Wisconsin, ending in late January, and from there would take some preparatory school training at Cornell with the idea of entering the United States Military Academy.

Back to Normal

Richmond, Va., Dec. 27 (AP).—Conditions have returned almost to normal in Southern Conference basketball this season. All 16 members except George Washington and Washington and Lee have teams. Last winter only eight clubs played representative schedules.

Fair Grounds

By the Associated Press

1—⅜; $800; 3-year-olds up; claiming.

Alfred's Lad	115	Burswerp	100
Calmstorm	115	Aurora Road	108
Dusky Duke	119	Valdina Marge	108
Calm Pork	108	Amperage	108
Bad Cold	110	Royal G-Man	112
Spare the Rod	111	Mountaloon	112

His Birthday A Party Cue For Caseys

When your birth date comes during the Christmas holidays, a party is definitely in order.

And that is what the former Representative from Massachusetts, Joseph E. Casey, decided upon for yesterday afternoon, the anniversary of his birthday. He and Mrs. Casey invited friends to their home in Spring Valley for a 5:30 to 7:30 cocktail fete, and sharing honors were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard Dudley, here from Hanover, N. H., for two weeks.

Justice and Mrs. Hugo L. Black were among those dropping in to offer congratulations to the hosts. Senator Theodore Green was there along with Senator-elect and Mrs. Brien McMahon and Senator-elect and Mrs. J. W. Fulbright.

Representative and Mrs. Emmett O'Neal brought along their two daughters, Lydia and Mary Hamilton, home for the holidays from Vassar. Among others there from Capitol Hill were Representative and Mrs. A. S. M. Monroney.

Also in attendance were the Portuguese Counselor, Dr. Vasco Garin; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred V. duPont, Lieut. and Mrs. Collier Young, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Alexander, Air Commodore and Mrs. Douglas L. Blackford, Capt. Gene Markey, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lippmann, Mrs. R. Ernest Dupuy, Mrs. Carusi Lombard, Lieut. George Abell, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harkness, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Lee Pierson.

Engaged

Harris & Ewing

CADET'S FIANCEE is Miss Janet Ann Lenzner, whose parents, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Emil Lenzner have announced her engagement to Cadet Malcolm N. Stewart, jr., of the United States Military Academy. His parents are Col. and Mrs. M. N. Stewart, Mitchell Field, Long Island

Senora Munilla Honor Guest At Luncheon

Senora de Munilla, wife of the retiring Military Attache at the Cuban Embassy, was guest of honor at a luncheon yesterday given by Mrs. William Theophilus at the Washington Club.

The cocktail party planned last night for Colonel and Senora de Munilla by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Duncan was called off due to illness in the Duncan family.

Also checked off the departing couple's date list is the testimonial luncheon which was to have taken place January 3 at the Mayflower, with Miss Minerva Bernardino as hostess.

Miss Bernardino left Washington yesterday for her homeland, the Dominican Republic, having been called there because of the critical illness of her sister, Miss Consuelo Bernardino.

On the afternoon of January 3 the Munillas will be entertained at a cocktail party in the Pan American Room at the Statler, when Mr. and Mrs. Adolph P. Buquor will be hosts.

Newlyweds to Live Here

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Abramson, Ventnor, N. J., announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Janet Abramson, to Dr. Maurice Mensh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mensh of Washington. The ceremony took place in Wilmington, Del. Dr. and Mrs. Mensh will make their home in Washington.

The Gentler Sex

By Malvina Lindsay

Citizens of the 50's

BOYS AND GIRLS 10 to 13 years old stand in an auditorium and discuss foreign policy, national unity, race relations, the two-party system.

Boys and girls of the same ages stand massed in a youth camp and chant in unison, "London's burning."

The first scene is in New York—this month; the second in Germany, several years before Hitler's march into Poland.

When Elwin Smith, student pastor for the Westminster Foundation at George Washington University and the University of Maryland, reads of the fanatic loyalty of Nazi youth captured in battle, he sees in memory a phlanx of children singing the "London" song. Mr. Smith, in prewar days, touring German youth camps heard repeatedly this refrain:

"London's burning, London's burning,
Fetch the engine, fetch the engine,
Fire! Fire! Fire! Fire!
But there is no water.

He was too young then to realize the full import of what he saw and heard. But many an older visitor likewise failed to recognize what it foreshadowed.

Looking back now on what he saw of the German youth movement, Mr. Smith believes it captured the imagination of the young because it made them feel a part of something, greater than themselves. "It gave them a sense of security and self esteem," he says, "and it also held out to them the promise of a glorious future."

WHAT CAN this country offer to its boys and girls in lieu of primitive tribal loyalty and future "kingship" over conquered peoples? Already there is a widespread feeling in this country that children must be trained to a greater sense of identification with their Nation's destiny, that the young men and women of the 1950's must be better prepared for the responsibilities and testings they will face as citizens than were those of the 1940's.

Many efforts are already under way along this line. The recent youth panel discussions held by the New York Times, in which boys and girls of from 10 to 13 years, discussed problems of the day before an audience of their fellows is one example of this.

In many cities boys and girls are being drawn into forums, group discussions, model "legislatures," and "city councils" in an effort to foster their interest in the problems they will be voting on in a few years. Educators are seeking means of taking history, economics and political science from the musty pages of textbooks into the lives of their pupils.

IT IS SIGNIFICANT how the democratic rather than the regimented approach is being made to youth in this country. In the problem of juvenile delinquency, youth itself has repeatedly been given opportunity to air its views. Such an approach is fitting because the problem here is to develop responsibility in the young. In Germany it was to develop blind obedience.

Naturally the American way is more difficult and takes longer. It is human nature to want to evade responsibility, to let a parent, a dictator, Congress, the Army or somebody else take over. But the only youth movement that this country can logically have is one in which youth enjoys freedom and is taught to cherish and pass on that freedom.

During the last half century children have been increasingly trained for success rather than citizenship. Even the old ambition to "grow up and be President" has languished. This outcropping of youth forums and juvenile citizenship bodies may be evidence that the Nation is swinging back toward its earlier enthusiasm and responsibility for its hard-won political liberty. If so, the outlook for the 1950's is brighter.

Mr. Renchard Returns Home Early Sunday

What a surprise Stellita Renchard had when her husband, George Renchard walked into her hospital room early Sunday morning having just landed from Paris.

Mr. Renchard, member of the United States Embassy in the French Capital, will have a whole week's leave with his family which includes Ronnie, 1 year old and a new baby sister, Stella Mae, born last week.

"Papa" Renchard is getting acquainted with both his son and daughter, for little Ronnie was only 2 months old when he kissed him goodby and with Mrs. Renchard set off for North Africa.

Tiny Stella Mae—named for her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Daniel Stapleton, and her maternal great aunt—Mrs. Mae Hamilton—arrived home yesterday from Doctors Hospital with her mother.

Knott-Tallman Marriage Read

Miss Elizabeth Wolcott Tallman became the bride of Harvey Graham Knott, USNR, at a candlelight service yesterday at 5:30 p. m. in St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Arlington. The bride is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Chester Tallman, Arlington, and granddaughter of Mrs. Nobel J. Wilt, who came from Chicago, Ill., for the ceremony.

The Rev. Dr. Robert O. Kevin officiated. The bride wore brocaded white satin, made princess style, with fingertip veil and coronet of pearls, which belonged to the bridegroom's mother. She carried a white satin prayer book with white orchid and lilies-of-the-valley.

Miss Anne Coffman, maid of honor, of Arlington, wore a pale blue satin dress with matching veil. Best man for his brother was Claude Knott. Ushers were Alvin E. Fitzhugh and A. C. Mran. The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harvey E. Knott of Arlington. After a reception at the bride's home the couple left for a wedding trip through the South. They will live in Pensacola, Fla.

McCloghrie-Lohman Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. George McCloghrie entertained a few intimate friends at an "after 6" party yesterday to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen, to Robert L. Lohman, son of Mrs. W. H. Lohman and the late Dr. Lohman of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. McCloghrie is director of naval construction for the British Admiralty Delegation.

Miss McCloghrie is a student at Radcliff College and Mr. Lohman will graduate from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in June.

Harris & Ewing

COLONEL'S WIFE is Mrs. Charles T. Lanham who is making her home in Arlington while her husband serves overseas with the First Army

Town Talk

By Carolyn Bell

THE TWO MOST elusive ladies in town are Mrs. Harry Hopkins and Mrs. Harold Ickes. The press is well aware of this—but Mrs. Jim Crowley had to find it out for herself and she's just now simmering down.

Harriet is publicity chairman for the Smith College benefit on January 16. Thinking it would be nice to have pictures of the two Smith graduates, Mrs. Hopkins and Mrs. Ickes, with several Chinese ladies (the benefit is for Ginling the Chinese sister college) she telephoned, assuming it would be a matter of moments before she had an answer.

Both have unlisted numbers and finally after much maneuvering Mrs. Crowley managed to get the secretaries of both Mrs. Hopkins and Mrs. Ickes to get through to Louise and Jane respectively. After several days she got her answer—No.

SAM ROSENMAN—one of those controversial men surrounding the President—is quick with an answer. For several years now he has been credited with numerous behind the scenes White House activities. At the Donald Richbergs' party the other afternoon he was asked if he really was the fabulous, so-called anonymous adviser as rumored.

Mr. Rosenman smiled and said, "You know anonymity can be built up just like any other reputation—through publicity." At that point Judge R. introduced his young son, Jim, a Harvard student—and the subject was changed abruptly.

VIRTUALLY all Washington's great and near great attended the Richberg party. Standing in the middle of the crowded room Mrs. Bill Morgan turned to her companion and said in anxious tones, "Who is that man over there?" When the lady started to answer "Senator so and——," Mrs. Morgan grinned and interrupted, "Oh, no, I mean the man serving—I want to hire him!" Such is the celebrity interest in servant-scarce Washington.

COLONELS OF CORN:

Two of General Gregory's (the Quartermaster General) staff officers have spent most of the year ribbing one another about the brand of humor they possess—CORNY! Lieut. Col. "Cliff" Gayley has particularly needled his colleague, Maj. Myron Silbert, about his corny quips interpolated in serious conferences.

When the colonel picked the major's name in the annual gift exchange drawing at Christmas it was obvious what he would give him—a can of corn—which, of course, he did, labeling it with that favorite war production phrase, "To help maintain the present level of supply."

But what the colonel didn't know was that the major had drawn his name, and he, too, had his eye on a can of corn. So it was an amused audience of employes who saw the exchange—and accompanying Major Silbert's gift was a poem dedicated to "Lieut. Kernel Gayley" entitled "There Are Many Kinds of Corn," and it reads like this:

Ioway's where the tall corn grows—
Washington's where t'other kind flows.
Yellow corn's what the Pilgrims ate,
And we've been lost in a maize ever since that date.

Mary Haworth's Mail

Highstrung Boy, 14, Baffles Parents When He breaks Sullen Silence to Say He Hates And Can Never Forgive Them; What to Do?

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: We have a son, 14, who is very tall and thin for his age, and 20 pounds underweight. He has a temper that flares up for no reason at all. He starts quarrels with his brothers that usually end up in a real, mean fight unless my husband or I interferes. His school work is barely average. When asked to do something around the house, he does a good job, although he grumbles a lot before he gets started.

When things are going his way, he is very pleasant and polite; also anxious to please. Yet most of the time he is very cold and distant toward all of us. In fact, he gets spells when he won't even talk. My husband and I realize he is very nervous, so we try very hard to overlook some of his outbursts. But the other day a new problem came up. He had sulked for several hours, and finally after much questioning we got him to tell us what was on his mind. To our surprise, he told us in no uncertain terms that he hated everyone who had ever said or done anything that hurt him; and that he would never forgive or forget.

He went on to say he would never forgive us for some of the punishments we gave him years ago. Although we tried to explain to him that his attitude was all wrong, his only response was a flood of tears and a solemn pledge that he would never change. Is the boy ill? Has his rapid growth affected some gland? What can we do to improve his attitude? S. W.

Symptoms Presage Mental Breakdown

DEAR S. W.: This is, indeed, a serious problem. Your son shows symptoms which ordinarily presage a mental breakdown; and judging by his latest outburst, the time is short for averting that catastrophe. He needs two types of specialist help immediately;—and none but the most skilled and conscientious help will do. He needs medical aid, of the so-called "internist" type,—which has to do with physical diagnosis and body-building treatment. And he also,—and perhaps even more urgently,—needs psychiatric or psycho-analytic care.

On the physical side, his string bean physique, his abnormal tallness and subnormal weight, coupled with his vicious irritability, suggest that his body is not producing energy sufficient to its needs. He gives evidence of what the doctors call "a fatigue syndrome,"—i. e., a group of concurrent symptoms characteristic of acute chronic tiredness. One doctor with whom I have discussed your story says, "The boy's blood sugar may be thin. The diagnostician who examines him should take that possibility into careful account; and not dismiss him with a casual chest-thumping, pulse-taking routine." He mentioned Karo corn sirup, a source of blood sugar, as being "like coal for the furnace," when fed to youngsters as an energy-fuel.

He Nurses Idea Of Persecution

MENTALLY, the boy is in a bad way,—well on the road to developing a hopelessly schizophrenic personality,—as a result of secretly nursing for years a completely false set of notions concerning the motives and meaning of other persons', and especially his family's, behavior in relation to him. This development is not necessarily induced by his constitutional frailty. Had he been husky as an ox, he might still have built up a vindictive obsession with the idea that he was everywhere persecuted. However, a sense of inferiority concerning his puny strength and ungainly frame may fan the flames of his hatred for hardy, average-size people; just as chronic fatigue may aggravate his confusion of thought,—and to this extent, his physical characteristics may be contributing to mental sickness.

The only way he can reverse his drift towards psychosis is to participate, willingly, in a course of self-help administered by a psychiatrist. He needs to explore his past experiences, and the conclusions he drew from them, to learn where he first went off the track;—and to see for himself, with the help of the specialist's dispassionate teaching, how he has been veering farther and farther away, ever since, from a reasonable interpretation of events that have "hurt" him. And this will be only the beginning of mental hygiene practices needed to safeguard his sanity. So my advice is: Line up your specialists, and let them tell you how to steer him into emergency treatment. M. H.

Mary Haworth counsels through her column; not by mail or personal interview. Write her in care of The Post.

Damsel Finds Frock Snug, Flashes SOS

By Ida Jean Kain

"Help!" I tried on my best long frock and find it a close fit over the hips. The lean seams can't be let out, so my figure has to be taken in! Can anything be done to ease the situation by Saturday night?"

Well, that calls for emergency measures, so let's not dilly-dally! We'll get right at the seat of the trouble and put some tone back in those fleshy muscles that spread across the back of the hips.

With seven and a half minutes of excercise morning and evening, our damsel in distress will be able to slip smoothly into the evening frock and the the belle of the ball.

This set of exercises will reach the major and minor muscles and then we'll roll to a smooth finish.

Position: Standing, hand on chair for support.

Movement: Circle with outside leg . . . keeping the knee straight and making wide circles from the hip. Always keep the knee straight and point the toes. Circle six times in one direction, reverse and circle six times in the opposite direction. At the finish, shake the leg vigorously to release the tension.

Position: Standing, hand on chair back for support.

Now a kick!

Movement: Make short, abrupt backward kicks, keeping the knee straight and toes pulled up toward instep. Kick straight back for six counts, then change the angle of the kick slightly, making it side back. Shake the leg vigorously. Reverse sides and make short backward thrusts with the other leg, always keeping the knee straight, and the toes pulled up toward instep.

Now for a couple of rolling exercises.

Position: Lying on back, knees flexed, feet off floor. This position brings weoght to bear directly below the waistline in back. Movement: Keeping knees flexed, roll across upper hipline over to one thigh, back across hips to other thigh; roll 12 counts, relax, continue 12 counts. Finish by rolling with legs straight down, which brings weight to bear in a slightly different spot.

Finish by taking a hot bath, using a quarter to a half pound of epsom salts in the bath, and staying in tub about 10 minutes to soak out soreness. The salts will not dissolve the fat, but it will help prevent stiffness.

Have a wonderful time at the party!

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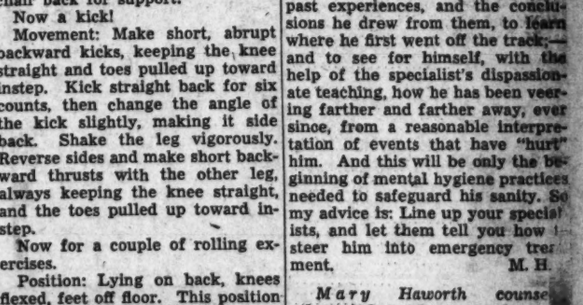

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12	:00 News, Evans :15 Little Show :30 Glamour Manor :45 "	News; Improvisations Look to This Day Matinee Today "	News; Gabriel Heatter Music for Luncheon U. S. Navy Band " "	WINX News Music Weather; Luncheon Music	Password, Please " " News; Music Blessed Eventer	Kate Smith Speaks Big Sister Helen Trent Our Gal Sunday
1	:00 Baukhage Talking :15 Jack Berch :30 Music Box :45 " "	Nancy Osgood " " Gene Archer Morgan Beatty	News; Compton Terry's House Party Stone and Brito Russ Hodges	WINX News Musical Bouquets " " " "	All Sports Parade Tony Wakeman All Sports Parade Tony Wakeman	Life Can Be Beautiful Ma Perkins News, Bernadine Flynn The Goldbergs
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6	:00 News, Optimists :15 Earl Godwin :30 Martin Agronsky :45 Walter Kiernan	News; Leif Eid Musicade Dutch Bergman Lowell Thomas	News; Music Frank Young, Piano Johnson Family Russ Hodges	WINX News Dinner Music Hollywood News Dinner Music	News; Melody Lane Melody Lane Richard Eaton All Sports Parade	Mahoney; Costello Ned Calmer, Maj. Eliot "6:30 Show" News, J. Harsch
7	:00 Lift to Living :15 (Fred Waring) :30 Green Hornet :45 " "	Perry Como News of The World Bob Burns " "	News; Fulton Lewis, Jr. Today in History American Mercury Milt Herth's Trio	WINX News Pop Concert Charles Pergler Dance Time	Romantic Rendezvous Roosevelt Hotel Orch. Talking Pictures Bible Question Box	I Love a Mystery Music That Satisfies Mr. Keen " "
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9	:00 " " " :15 " " " :30 Spotlight Bands :45 (Bobby Meeker)	Kraft Music Hall (Bing Crosby) Joan Davis and Jack Haley	News; Gabriel Heatter Real Life Stories Treasure Hour of Song	News; Symphony Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 5	1450 Club " " News; 1450 Club 1450 Club	Major Bowes' Amateur Hour Cortiss Archer " "
10	:00 Ray. Gram Swing :15 Chester Bowles :30 March of Time :45 " " "	Abbott and Costello " " Rudy Vallee " "	News; H. Gladstone Dale Carnegie World's Most Honored Music	News; Andy Russell Places to Go Close Harmony Organ Reveries	1450 Club " " News; Great Scott Great Scott	The First Line " " Here's to Romance " " "
11	:00 News, Evans :15 Hour of Dreams :30 " " " :45 " " "	News; Music Richard Harkness Music of the New World	News, Billy Repaid Fulton Lewis, Jr. Army Air Forces " " "	News; Musical Roundup Weather; Music Slumber Music	Great Scott " " News; Hits of the Day Hits of the Day	News, Daly and Trout Arch McDonald's "Moondial" Let's Listen

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TERRY

WHAT HAPPENED? DID YOU SALTS GET TIRED O' THEM TIGHT PANTS AND DECIDE TO GET INTO A GOOD OUTFIT?
JUST HAND OUT THE ISSUE, DOGGIE, WE GOT NO TIME FOR GABBIN' WITH QUARTERMASTER LAWYERS!
GET YOUR EATINGS SEWED ON... IF ANY OF THESE GEE EYE MUD-EATERS GET NOSY — TELL 'EM TO BLOW IT! IT'S NOBODY'S BUSINESS WHY WE'RE AT AN ARMY AIR FIELD...
I DON'T KNOW ALL THAT ARMY INSIGNIA, CHIEF! WHO DO WE SALUTE?
ARMY OFFICERS WEAR THE SAME HARDWARE AS MARINE OFFICERS!
WHY THESE ORDERS?
CUTS DOWN VISIBILITY!
GET WISENED UP TO THIS INDIAN MONEY... I WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO FIND YOURSELVES WITH SOME NICE LITTLE IVORY TRINKETS IN YOUR HANDS AND HAVE SOME GUY TRY TO SHORT-CHANGE YOU...

MARY WORTH

I BROUGHT THIS DOWN FOR MONICA...
SHE'S GONE, MRS. WORTH! LEFT WITH RAOUL TEN MINUTES AGO-- FOR NEW YORK AND PARIS!
I'M SORRY--I'D HAVE LIKED TO TELL HER--- GOODBYE!
I GUESS THERE'S NOTHING TO DO NOW BUT GO HOME AND PACK MY THINGS...
PARDON ME--I SPOSE THERE'S NO USE MENTIONIN' IT---BUT HERE'S ANOTHER O' THEM LETTERS FOR MRS. LINCOLN WAYNE...!

MICKEY FINN

YOU'LL BE SHERIFF IN FOUR MORE DAYS, UNCLE PHIL—DON'T YOU THINK IT WOULD BE WISE TO HAVE SERGEANT HALLIGAN MEET YOUR DEPUTIES, BEFORE YOU ACTUALLY TAKE OFFICE?
I MEANT TO TELL YOU, MICHAEL—I WAS PLANNIN' TO DO THAT TONIGHT!
I GOT HIM TO AGREE TO IT, SERGEANT! THEY'RE MEETING HERE AT EIGHT O'CLOCK!
GOOD WORK, MICKEY! I'M ANXIOUS TO SEE HOW THEY SHAPE UP!
AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, SERGEANT, COMES MARTY MALLOY! YOU MUST REMEMBER HIM—HE USED TO TEND BAR FOR BUCKLEY!
OH, SURE! GLAD TO SEE YOU AGAIN, MARTY!
WELL, WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THEM?
AS FINE A COLLECTION OF NIT-WITS, AS I'VE EVER SEEN IN MY LIFE!

MYRTLE

DON'T BOTHER YOUR FATHER, MYRTLE! HE'S WRITING HIS CHRISTMAS THANK-YOU NOTES!
SUSIE! HOW DO YOU SPELL ATROCIOUS?
I THOUGHT YOU WERE WRITING THANK-YOU NOTES.
I AM! I'M THANKING YOUR MOTHER FOR THIS NECK-TIE SHE GAVE ME!

DIXIE DUGAN

AH—MRS. DUGAN—HAVE YOU COME TO A DECISION?
I HAVEN'T GIVEN IT MUCH THOUGHT, MR. BEETLE—
I'D RATHER LISTEN TO YOU—MAKE ME AN OFFER
THAT'S THE TICKET, MRS. DUGAN—WELL, I HAVE A CONTRACT ALL DRAWN UP FOR YOU—
—DON'T BOTHER TO READ IT—JUST THE USUAL CLAUSES IN ALL CONTRACTS OF THIS NATURE—YOUR SALARY IS MENTIONED AS YOU SEE—JUST SIGN AND—
BUT IT SAYS "EXCLUSIVE" SERVICES
NATURALLY—I WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO CREATE DRESSES FOR A COMPETITOR, MRS. DUGAN
I—I THINK I'LL WAIT, MR. BEETLE—YOU SEE I'VE JUST STARTED MY OWN BUSINESS AND—
BUT, MRS. DUGAN—YOU CAN'T LET AN OPPORTUNITY LIKE THIS SLIP BY—I HAVE TWENTY DRESSMAKERS WAITING FOR YOUR CREATIONS!

DON WINSLOW

WE DIDN'T EXPECT YOU SO SOON... HOW DID YOU GET HERE?
I CAME ON THE FRINGE OF AN EARTHQUAKE! ABOARD A CLOUD PUSHED BY RED LIGHTNING, MY QUEEN OF BLOOD!
LET US NOT BECOME PERSONAL! MUCH WORK CONFRONTS US!
FIRST! WINSLOW WILL SET FIRE TO THE GLOVE! HERE'S A BLOCK OF SPECIAL FUEL...
...FROM HELL THAT'LL ROCK THE EARTH AND TURN THIS INTO A FLAMING GRAVE!

CHIEF WAHOO and STEVE ROPER

YOU SEE, DR. SCHWINE, ON THE MORNING OF THE TRAGEDY I SHOT THIS PICTURE OF HOWELL HALL!
JA? GO ON, HERR ROPER!
WHEN I DEVELOPED IT, THESE FOOTPRINTS APPEARED! LEADING FROM THE WINDOW OF PROFESSOR GOODBODY'S LAB!
NEIN! HOW IS IT POSSIBLE?
BY A PECULIAR QUIRK, FOOTPRINTS MADE ON FROSTY GROUND SHOW UP IN A PHOTO, EVEN AFTER THE SUN HAS MELTED THE FROST AND THE MARKS ARE INVISIBLE TO THE HUMAN EYE!
INTERESTING! BUT, OF COURSE, ONE CAN FOLLOW THE TRACKS ONLY A SHORT DISTANCE, EH?
THEY SEEM TO BE GOING TOWARD SOUTH HALL--WHERE YOU HAVE YOUR PHYSICS LAB, DON'T THEY?

WINNIE WINKLE

HELLO, GIRLS! HOW DO Y' LIKE ME NEW DRESS?
LOVELY DAISY! IS IT A CHRISTMAS GIFT??
WELL, IT'S A PRESENT FROM ME TO MESELF, Y' MIGHT SAY!!
OH, YOU BOUGHT IT YOURSELF!
DID IT COST YOU MUCH, DAISY???
NO!! I BOUGHT IT AT A SALE FOR A RIDIC'LOUS FIGGER!
HUH!! YOU'RE TELLING ME!!

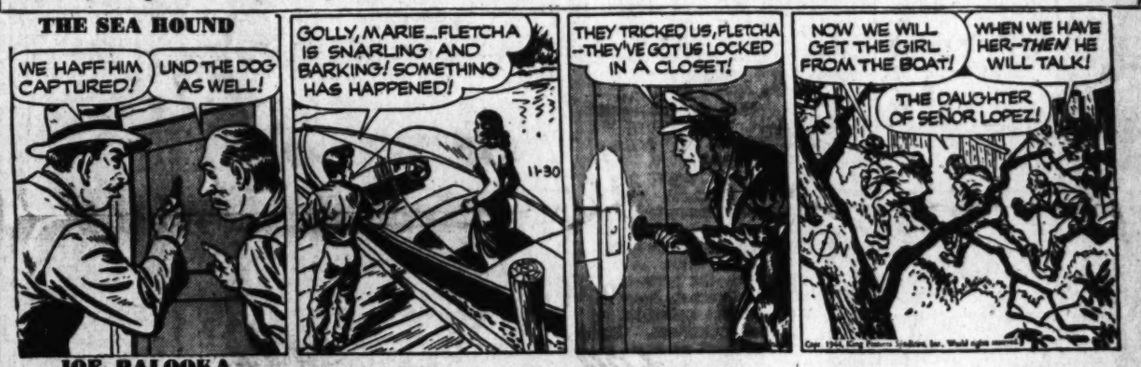
KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED

I'LL WIRE THE STOP LIGHT OF PRUE'S CAR, JUST LIKE THE MURDERER IN JACKSON'S BOOK DID...
THIS STORY HASN'T BEEN PUBLISHED, SO WHO, BUT JACKSON, WOULD THINK OF KILLING PRUE THIS WAY!
...A PIECE OF WIRE... THE TYPEWRITER SCREWDRIVER AND...
...IN A FEW MINUTES MY IMPORTANT VICTIM WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR DEATH!

DONALD DUCK

THESE ARE SOME EXCELLENT SHOTS I GOT OF THE BOYS SKIING ON TERROR HILL!
THIS IS MASTERFUL PHOTOGRAPHY--NOTICE THE ANGLE I GOT!
DIDN'T THE BOYS TAKE ANY OF YOU?
OH, NOTHING WORTH SHOWING!

THE SEA HOUND


WE HAFF HIM CAPTURED!
UND DE DOG AS WELL!
GOLLY, MARIE...FLETCHA IS SNARLING AND BARKING! SOMETHING HAS HAPPENED!
THEY TRICKED US, FLETCHA --THEY'VE GOT US LOCKED IN A CLOSET!
NOW WE WILL GET THE GIRL FROM THE BOAT!
WHEN WE HAVE HER—THEN HE WILL TALK!
THE DAUGHTER OF SEÑOR LOPEZ!

JOE PALOOKA

WE ALL ENJOYED IT IMMENSELY, JOE, AND FROM THE COMMANDING OFFICER RIGHT ON DOWN THE LINE EVERYONE SAYS YOU'RE A GREAT GUY.
THANK K'YOU, SIR. I'M SURE GLAD THEY ENJOYED IT.
THESE ARE YOUR FURTHER ORDERS. AND I WISH YOU MANY HAPPY LANDINGS AND THE SAME TO YOU, LEEMY.
THANK K'YOU, SIR.
THANKS, SIR.
WELL, HERE WE GO AGAIN. WONDER WHERE TO?
I'LL LAY YA TEN TONE ITS AUSTRALIA. HEY-MEBBE TH' PHILIPPINES--
SPECIAL SERVICES
GEE, THESE ARE HARD T'FIGURE. THEY SURE PUT A LOTTA DOUBLE TALK ON PAPER.
BOY-I COULDA USED ANOTHER WEEK ER MONTH—ER A YEAR OF HAWAYA—THIS IS SURE PARADISE, PALLY.

SUPERMAN

LOOKS LIKE WE GOT A MILLIONAIRESS IN OUR MIDST!
SOME GIRLS HAVE ALL THE LUCK!
BOY! WHAT I COULD DO WITH JUST ONE MILLION!
AH... WERE I BUT TWENTY YEARS YOUNGER...!
HM-MH. I SUPPOSE NOW SHE'LL BE TOO SNOOTY TO TALK TO US ORDINARY MORTALS!
PUT IN A GOOD WORD FOR ME, CLARK, AND IF SHE MARRIES ME, I'LL GIVE YOU TEN PERCENT OF MY FIRST YEARS ALLOWANCE!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? LET ME SEE THAT PAPER!
OUCH! I KEPT MY PROMISE TO LOIS NOT TO WRITE THIS STORY--AND YET HERE IT IS UNDER MY BY-LINE!!
DAILY P
PLANET REPOR
INHERITS MILL
MUST MARRY IN 10 DAYS!

JANE ARDEN

I KNEW YOU SUSPECTED ME—
?
SEARCHING MY DRESSING ROOM, EH?
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO—RUIN ME IN PICTURES?
I'M SIMPLY TRYING TO TRACE A MURDERER—
YOU LOVE CHERE TINGLE—SHE LOVED STARK—THERE'S A MOTIVE.
YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS—I'LL—
YOU'LL WHAT?

NAPOLEON

IT TELLS HERE IN THIS MAGAZINE ABOUT A CARTOONIST WHO DRAWS A DOG COMIC STRIP NOT CARING MUCH FOR DOGS; CAN'T TRUST A FELLER LIKE THAT, MUST BE SOMETHING WRONG WITH HIM.

Backlog of New Radio Sets Put At 20 Million

Philadelphia, Dec. 27 (AP).—John Ballantyne, president of Philco Corporation, said today the radio industry increased its total production over 1943 20 per cent in terms of dollars during 1944.

In its "all-out" war effort, Ballantyne said, the radio industry's production increases were even greater in physical terms with the Army and Navy "receiving the benefits of lower costs, greater efficiency and production short-cuts."

Ballantyne said civilian radio receiving sets have been out of production since early in 1942 and "the needs of the public for new equipment are constantly growing more acute."

"It is estimated," Ballantyne said, "that the pentup demand for radio receivers at the present time amounts to between 20 million and 25 million units as compared with the industry's all time high production of 13,100,000 sets in 1941."

Local Produce

Eggs and Live Poultry

EGGS—Market firm. Receipts increasing moderately, but supplies continue short of good demand. Prices nominally unchanged. Current receipts, nearby ungraded eggs, mostly 45, few 44 @46.

LIVE POULTRY—One truck load of poultry received by authorized processor. Other houses inactive and market at a standstill.

Fruits and Vegetables
(Sales on Wholesale Market in Less-Than-Carlot Quantities.)

APPLES—Market dull. Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia, bushel baskets and Eastern crates, U. S. No. 1: Delicious and Staymans, 2¾-inch minimum, 3.75@3.85, few sales 3.50; 2½-inch minimum, 3.50@3.75, low as 3.25; mostly around 3.50; Black Twigs, 2¾-inch minimum, 3.00@3.65, few sales 3.25; 2½-inch minimum, 3.25@3.50, mostly 3.25; Yorks, 2¾-inch minimum, 3.50@3.75, mostly 3.50@3.65; 2½-inch minimum, 3.00@3.25, mostly around 3.00; 2¼-inch minimum, 2.50@2.75.

CABBAGE—Market steady. Domestic Round type, 50-lb. sacks: South Carolina, 2.25. Florida, 2.50@2.75, few sales 2.25. North Carolina, 2.00@2.25, mostly 2.25; bushel baskets, packed locally, mostly around 1.75. New York, 50-lb. sacks, Danish type, 2.00@2.25, mostly around 2.00; Red type, 3.00@3.25.

CELERY—Market steady. California, ½ crates and 16-inch crates, trimmed tops, Golden Heart, 2½ to dozen, individually washed, few sales, 6.00@6.50; fair quality, 4.50@5.00; Pascal best, 5.00@5.50, mostly 5.00; fair quality and condition, 4.50.

LETTUCE—Market firm at ceiling. Arizona and few California, L. A. crates, Iceberg type, 5 dozen, 5.39, few sales 5.75.

ONIONS—Market dull. 50-lb. sacks, U. S. No. 1, Yellows, 60-70 2 inches and larger: New York, 1.75@2.00, mostly 1.90@1.90. Minnesota, 1.75@1.90, few sales higher. Ohio and Michigan, 1.75@2.00, mostly 1.90@2.00, Colorado, Sweet Spanish, 2-3 inches, 3.75@4.00, mostly 3.90.

POTATOES—Market steady. Maine, 100-lb. sacks U. S. No. 1, size A, Katahdins and Chippewas, 3.30@3.75, mostly 3.50@3.60; U. S. No. 2, 3.35@3.50; 50-lb. paper sacks, U. S. No. 1, size A, Katahdins, 1.75@2.00, New York, 100-lb. sacks, U. S. No. 1, size A, Katahdins, 3.25@3.40, few sales 3.50; U. S. No. 1, 3.00@3.25; 50-lb. paper sacks, U. S. No. 1, size A, 1.65.

SWEET POTATOES—Market steady. Bushels, U. S. No. 1: North Carolina and Virginia, baskets, Nancy Halls and Puerto Ricans, brushed, 2.75@3.25, mostly 3.00; unbrushed, some fair quality and condition low as 1.50, high as 2.50; few North Carolina, crates, Puerto Ricans, brushed, fine quality, mostly around 4.25. Maryland, baskets, Goldens, brushed, 2.50@2.75; unbrushed low as 1.50, high as 2.25. New Jersey, baskets, Jersey type, brushed, 2.50, few sales 2.75; Goldens, 2.50@2.75. Louisiana, crates, Puerto Ricans, mostly 3.25, few sales 3.50.

GRAPEFRUIT—Florida, standard and wire-bound boxes, Duncans and Marsh Seedless, best, 36s-64s, 4.00@4.25, very few sales 4.50; some fair quality and size as 3.50; 70s-80s, mostly 3.00@3.50; few sales, Pink Seedless, 4.00@4.50; small size, 80s, 3.50@3.75. Texas, Pinks, 4.50@4.75, few sales 4.90; 80s, 4.00.

ORANGES—Florida, wire-bound and standard boxes, Combination grade, 150s-216s, 5.00@5.25, few sales high as 5.44; 250s-288s, 4.00@4.75; fair quality, all sizes, 2.00@3.00.

Died

DODD, MARY ELIZABETH. On Tuesday, December 26, 1944, at Washington Sanitarium Hospital, MARY ELIZABETH DODD, beloved wife of Elwood C. Dodd and daughter of William C. Webster of Coffeyville, Kans., and sister of M. Dale Webster, Alexandria, Va., and Chester Webster of Coffeyville, Kans. Services at Chambers funeral home, 1400 Chapin st. nw., on Friday, December 29, at 2 p. m. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

GERACI, ROSINA. On Monday, December 25, 1944, at her residence, 4819 Iowa ave., nw., ROSINA GERACI, beloved wife of the late Frank Geraci and mother of Mrs. August Le Cavara, Mrs. Albert Fano, Mrs. Victor Bastrati, Mrs. Paul Oliveri, Frank, Thomas, Anthony and Edward Geraci, all of Washington, D. C. Remains resting at the residence until Wednesday, December 27, at 9:30 a. m. Requiem mass at Holy Rosary Church, 3rd and F sts. nw., at 10 a. m. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery.

GROVES, TURNER ALLEN. On Tuesday, December 26, 1944, at his residence, 2502 North McKinley st., Arlington, Va., TURNER ALLEN GROVES, beloved husband of Anna L. Groves and father of Turner R., Corpl. William E., George E. and Frances Ann Groves. Remains resting at the Pearson funeral home, 4702 Washington st., Falls Church, Va., where funeral services will be held on Thursday, December 28, at 2 p. m. Interment Oakwood Cemetery.

HUMPHERSON, ANNIE E. On Monday, December 25, 1944, at her residence, 1306 Hanflin st. ne., ANNIE E. HUMPHERSON, beloved wife of Joseph H. Humpherson and mother of Mrs. Harry L. Blye, Joseph H. Humpherson, U. S. Army Band, European theater of war. Funeral from the V. L. Speare Co., 1009 H st. nw., on Thursday, December 28, at 2 p. m. Interment Glenwood Cemetery.

OWENS, MARY. On Monday, December 25, 1944, at Little Sisters, MARY OWENS, beloved sister of Ellie Owens and the late Annie Owens and Mrs. Sarah J. Auguste. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., until Thursday, December 28, at 8:30 a. m. Mass at Saint Peter's Catholic Church, at 9 a. m. Interment Mount Olivet Cemetery.

PRENTISS, ALICE M. On Sunday, December 24, 1944, ALICE M. PRENTISS of 2123 18th st. nw., daughter of the late Charles G. and Sarah Arnold Prentiss and sister of Miss Sue G. Prentiss, Miss Minnie Prentiss, Mrs. Fred E. Keith, Mrs. Grace P. Carter, and Mrs. Mary S. Bradford. Services at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Thursday, December 28, at 1 o'clock. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

RAWLINGS, MARY E. On Monday, December 25, 1944, MARY E. RAWLINGS, beloved wife of Frank C. Rawlings and mother of Julia, Helen and Frank Rawlings and sister of Eva Laurie, Hilda Lovelace, Helen Morrison, Lillian Wallace, John, Thomas and Rowland Hayes. Funeral from the W. W. Deal funeral home, 816 H st. ne., on Thursday, December 28, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Addison Chapel, Seat Pleasant, Md.

RIGGS, ELISABETH C. Suddenly, on Monday, December 25, 1944, at her residence, ELISABETH C. RIGGS, beloved wife of Commander Arthur Stanley Riggs, USNR. Services private. Interment Downingtown, Pa.

RUPPERT, LONA MILLER. On Tuesday, December 26, 1944, at Georgetown Hospital, LONA MILLER RUPPERT, beloved wife of the late John Ruppert and daughter of the late John and Katharina Miller. Funeral from her late residence, 5437 41st st. nw., on Friday, December 29 at 8:15 a. m.; requiem high mass St. Mary's Church, at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Cedar Hill Cemetery.

SEBOURE, HARRY GEHR. On Tuesday, December 26, 1944, at his residence, 3624 13th st. nw., HARRY GEHR SEBOURE, beloved husband of Annie E. Sebourne (nee Gilroy). Funeral from the above residence on Friday, December 29, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Arlington National Cemetery, with full military honors.

STOVER, JOHN A. On Monday, December 25, 1944, at his home, Russell ave., Gaithersburg, Md., JOHN A. STOVER, the beloved husband of Magdalen Rinker Stover and father of Dorothy E. Stover. Funeral services on Thursday, Dec. 28, at 2 p. m., from his late residence, Russell ave. Interment Forest Oak Cemetery.

WESTCOTT, KENNETH L., Sr. On Monday, December 25, 1944, at Casualty Hospital, KENNETH L. WESTCOTT, Sr., of 120 10th st. ne., beloved husband of Mary C. Westcott and father of Pvt. Kenneth L. Westcott, jr., U. S. A. Remains resting at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., until Thursday, December 28, 8:30 a. m. Mass at Saint Peter's Catholic Church, 2d and C sts. ne., at 9 a. m. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Alexandria, Va.

WHIPP, JOHN L. On Monday, December 25, 1944, at Sibley Memorial Hospital, JOHN L. WHIPP, beloved husband of Helen R. Whipp (nee Engels) and father of John L., jr., and Charles C. Whipp. Services at S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Thursday, December 28, at 2 p. m. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

Nickel Plate Bond Offering Is Authorized

The New York, Chicago & St. Louis (Nickel Plate) Railroad was authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday to issue 42 million dollars of 3¾ per cent Series D Refunding Mortgage Bonds.

The bonds, to be sold at 100.529 per cent of par and accrued interest, will be used, along with other funds, to redeem a 10 million-dollar promissory note, $6,500,000 of Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad First Mortgage 4 Per Cent Bonds, and $26,058,000 of New York, Chicago & St. Louis 5½ per cent Series A Refunding Mortgage Bonds.

Business Briefs Of D. C. Interest

A Word to the Wise

With only three business days left in 1944, the Treasury reminded bond buyers they are allowed to buy up to $3750 worth of series E bonds in any calendar year.

A man, his wife, and their children may each buy the limit and name one another as coowner or beneficiary. The $3750 represents maturity value of $5000.

"Rationing" of E bonds is necessary because they pay the highest rate of interest of all Government securities and therefore are attractive to large investors.

Wartime Controls Analyzed

"Demobilization of Wartime Controls," an analysis by John Maurice Clark, attempts impartial and concrete recommendations for the immediate postwar period. The author, professor of economics at Columbia University, is a former president of the American Economic Association.

The book is of special interest to Government economic agency officials and presents a thorough study of the kinds of controls, their objectives, their wartime effect and analyzes carefully the varying circumstances under which need for them may abate.

The 212-page treatise, published by McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., is the third of a series of reports prepared under the auspices of the Committee for Economic Development, a private group of business leaders.

Southern Railway Net Drops

Southern Railway Co. yesterday reported November net operating income of $2,718,617, as compared with $3,240,809 in the same 1943 month. Balance after charges was $1,715,752, against $1,866,092 in November last year.

Cumulative figures for the first 11 months showed gross revenues of $240,162,035, net operating income of $30,080,914, and balance after charges $19,116,048. This compared with $223,380,944 gross, $33,402,209 net operating income and $21,627,600 balance in the same 1943 period.

Also, Southern Railway revealed yesterday another change in executive personnel—the retirement on January 1 of James A. Jones as assistant to the vice president in charge of communications. Mr. Jones, who completes 54 years of service, will be succeeded by John R. Smith, now superintendent of communications.

Earnings Statements

American Distilling Co. reports net income for the fiscal year ended September 30 of $776,428, equal to $3.10 a common share, compared with $1,333,384, or $5.01 a common share for the preceding fiscal year.

New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co. reports a net income of $473,372 for November, a decrease of $1,088,274 under the same period a year ago.

Chain Belt Co. and subsidiaries report net income for the fiscal year ended October 31 or $828,969, or $1.70 a share, compared with $863,625, or $1.77 a share, for the previous fiscal year. The 1944 net income is after a contingency reserve of $880,000, and the 1943 net income after a reserve of $900,000.

Rail to Pay First Dividend Since 1913

Gloversville, N. Y., Dec. 28 (AP).—A 50-cent dividend—its first in 31 years—will be paid January 20 by the Fonda, Johnstown & Gloversville Railroad to stockholders of record December 21. The road was reorganized and emerged with a new management a year ago.

Chicago Grain

Chicago, Dec. 27 (AP).—Grain markets started steady to firm today but failed to hold the gains and at the finish were mixed and within minor fractions of the previous close. Offerings increased on all the hard spots and prices fluctuated erratically.

At the finish wheat was ⅛ lower to ⅛ higher than yesterday's close, May 1.64⅝@1.64¼. Corn was ⅛ higher to ⅜ lower, May 1.10⅜. Oats were up ⅛ to off ⅛, May 66¼@66⅜. Rye was unchanged to ⅜ lower, May 1.12⅛@1.12¼. Barley was off ⅛ to up ⅜, May 1.09.

Range follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	1.64¼	1.64½	1.63½	1.64
July	1.55⅜	1.55⅝	1.54⅝	1.55⅜
September	1.54⅛	1.54⅝	1.53⅝	1.54⅛
Corn—				
May	1.11	1.11¼	1.10⅝	1.10⅜
July	1.10⅜	1.10⅝	1.10⅛	1.10⅛
September	1.09⅜	1.10	1.09⅛	1.09⅜
Oats—				
May	66⅝	66⅝	66	66⅜
July	61¾	62	61	61⅝
September	60	60	59¼	59¾
Rye—				
May	1.12¾	1.12¾	1.11⅛	1.12⅛
July	1.10	1.10½	1.09½	1.09⅞
September	1.08	1.08	1.07⅛	1.07⅝
Barley—				
May	1.09⅛	1.09⅛	1.08⅛	1.09
July	1.04	1.04	1.03⅝	1.03⅝

Cash Grain

WHEAT—No sales.

CORN—No. 5 yellow, 1.03¼@1.03⅜; sample grade yellow, 48@90¾; No. 5 white, 1.25.

OATS—No. 1 white, 73.

BARLEY—Malting, 1.18@1.37½ (nominal); feed, 85@1.00 (nominal); sample grade, 91 @93.

Naval Stores

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 27 (AP).—TURPENTINE—79 cents a gallon; offerings, 67 (50-gal. bbls.); sales, 3550 gallons; receipts, 44 barrels; shipments none; stocks, 24,865 barrels.

ROSIN (100-lb. drums)—Offerings none; sales none; receipts, 62; shipments none; stocks, 14,590.

Quote: B, 5.05; D, 5.12; E, 5.65; F, 5.75; G, 5.79; H, 5.81; I, 5.81; K, 5.85; M, 5.87; N, 6.03; WG, 6.28; WW, 6.55; X, 6.55.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 27 (AP).—TURPENTINE—Receipts none; shipment, 1; stocks, 39,548.

Commodity Index

New York, Dec. 27.—The Associated Press weighted wholesale prices index of 35 commodities today advanced to 108.70.

Previous day	108.62
week ago	108.47
month ago	106.88
year ago	106.23

	1944	1943	1942	1941
High	108.73	107.54	103.22	98.12
Low	106.03	103.43	95.54	77.03

Quotations on N. Y. Stock Exchange

By the Associated Press

Total sales yesterday, 1,582,845 shares; previous day, 996,709; week ago, 1,482,500; year ago, 997,150; two years ago, 1,121,924; January 1 to date, 258,931,492; year ago, 276,609,024; two years ago, 124,626,848.

Dow-Jones Stocks

New York, Dec. 27.—

	Open	High	Low	Close	Ch'ge.
30 inds.	149.22	149.46	147.93	148.71	—0.95
20 rails.	47.75	47.83	46.58	47.32	—0.72
15 utils.	25.81	25.86	25.58	25.70	—0.20
65 stks.	55.50	55.59	54.78	55.22	—0.49

Transactions in stocks used in averages today: industrials, 87,500; rails, 183,140; utilities, 84,800; 65 stocks, 355,440.

	Sales. Add 00	High	Low	Close	Net Ch'ge
Abbott Lab	2	63¾	63¾	63¾	+ ⅛
A C F Brill	24	9¼	9⅛	9⅛	— ⅛
Acme St	6	65⅛	65⅛	65⅛	— ⅛
Adams Exp	26	17	17	17	— ⅛
Adams-Millis	2	32½	32½	32½	— ⅛
Addressox-Mult	2	23¼	23¼	23¼	— ⅛
Air Reduction	18	39¾	38¾	39¼	+ ⅛
Alaska Juneau	107	6⅝	6⅛	6⅛	— ⅛
Alleghany Corp	27	2⅞	2¾	2⅞	— ⅛
Alleghany pf	68	36¼	34	35¾	—1⅜
Alleg pr pf	8	60	57⅞	58	—1½
Alleg Ludl Stl	27	27⅞	25⅝	25⅝	— ⅛
Allen Indust	1	13¼	13¼	13¼	— ⅛
Al Chem & Dye	2	155⅛	155	155	— ¼
Allied Kid	1	15¾	15¾	15¾	+ ⅛
Allied Mills	14	31½	30½	31	— ¼
Allied Strs	14	21⅞	20¾	21⅜	+ ⅛
Allis-Ch Mfg	18	37½	36¾	37¼	— ⅛
Allis Ch Mfg pf	2	113	113	113	— ¼
Alpha P Cem	3	23⅜	23⅜	23⅜	— ⅛
Amal Leather	12	3¾	3⅝	3⅝	— ⅛
Amerada Pet	3	103	102½	102½	—1½
Am Ag Ch Del	8	27½	26½	27½	+ ⅛
Am Airlines	13	45¼	44¼	44½	— ⅛
Am Bank Note	7	20⅜	20¼	20⅜	— ⅛
Am Bosch	7	17½	17	17	— ⅛
Am Brake sh	6	43¾	43	43¼	— ⅛
Am Cable & R	98	11⅛	11⅛	11⅛	— ⅛
Am Can	9	90½	90	90	—1⅛
Am Car & Fdy	28	38½	37½	37¾	— ⅛
Am C & F pf	2	98¾	98½	98½	— ⅛
Am Ch & Cable	7	26	25⅝	25⅝	— ⅛
Am Colortype	1	13¾	13¾	13¾	— ⅛
Am Crystal S	8	19¼	19	19	— ⅛
Am Distill	17	33¾	33¼	33¼	— ⅛
Am Encaus Til	3	3⅜	3⅜	3⅜	— ⅛
Am Export L	4	26⅜	26	26	— ⅛
Am & For P	38	2½	2½	2½	— ⅛
Am & F P 6% pf	2	91	91	91	—1
A & F P 7 pf	2	94½	93½	93½	—1½
A & F P 2 pf	20	19⅝	19⅜	19⅜	— ⅛
Am-Hawaii SS	6	39¾	39	39	— ⅛
Am Hide & Lea	1	5	5	5	— ⅛
Am Home Pd	339	68½	68	68½	— ½
Am Home Pd rt	334				
Am Ice	7				— ⅛
Am Int Corp	6	68½	68	68	— ⅛
Am Internat	6	8⅝	8⅝	8⅝	— ⅛
Am Invest Ill	3	7⅞	7⅞	7⅞	— ⅛
Am Locomotive	63	26¾	25½	26	—2⅞
Am Metal	1108	108	108	108	— ⅛
Am M & Pdy	12	22	21½	21½	— ⅛
Am M & Met	6	12¼	12	12	— ⅛
Am Mot Inn	1	5½	5½	5½	— ⅛
Am Power & Lt	19	2¾	2¾	2¾	— ⅛
Am P & L 36 pf	38	61⅝	59½	60⅜	— ⅛
Am P & L 35 pf	41	55	53½	54⅜	— ⅛
Am Rad&St S	56	15¾	15¼	15¼	— ⅛
Am Safety Raz	1	14⅜	14⅛	14⅛	— ⅛
Am Safety Raz	3	17¾	17¾	17¾	— ⅛
Am Seating	3	18	18	18	— ⅛
Am Smelt & R	38	38½	37½	38⅛	— ⅛
Am Snuff	2	42	42	42	— ⅛
Am Stl Fdrs	32	27	26	26⅝	— ⅛
Am Stores	17	17¼	17	17¼	+ ⅛
Am Sugar Ref	7	55	54½	54½	— ⅛
Am Sugar pf	1	132	132	132	—1
Am Tel & Tel	32	164½	163½	163½	— ⅛
Am Tobacco	2	64½	64	64½	— ⅛
Am Tob B	4	64¾	64¼	64¼	— ⅛
Am Type Fdrs	34	15½	14⅞	15	— ⅛
Am Viscose	12	45	44⅛	45	— ⅛
Am Wat Wks	68	8⅝	8	8⅛	— ⅛
Am W W 1 pf	99	99	99	99	— ⅛
Am Woolen	12	8¾	8½	8¾	— ⅛
Am Wool pf	1	102	102	102	— ⅛
Am Zinc L & S	21	5⅛	5	5⅛	— ⅛
Anaconda Cop	60	28¼	27⅝	27⅞	— ⅛
Anchor Hock Gl	9	23¾	23½	23⅝	+ ⅛
Arch-Dan-M	9	50½	50½	50½	— ⅛
Armour & Co	45	6¼	6¼	6¼	— ⅛
Armour pr pf	2	101	101	101	— ⅛
Armstrong Cork	17	43	42½	43	— ⅛
Arnold Const	3	11½	11½	11½	— ⅛
Assd Dry Gds	10	18¼	18¼	18¼	— ⅛
Associates Inv	1	43	43	43	— ⅛
Atch T & S F	42	82½	79¼	80	—1½
Atch T&S F pf	8	103½	103	103½	+ ⅛
Atl Coast Line	50	51¾	50¼	52	—1
Atl G&W Indies	1	33½	33½	33½	— ¾
Atl Refining	33	30½	30	30	— ⅛
Atlas Corp	9	15½	15½	15½	— ⅛
Atlas Corp pf	7	56⅝	56⅝	56⅝	— ⅛
Atlas Tack	1	20	20	20	— ⅛
Autocar Co	3	14⅜	14⅜	14⅜	— ⅛
Aunc Nichols	4	11	10¼	10½	— ⅛
Aviation Corp	607	5⅜	5	5⅛	— ⅛
Bald Loco ct	25	25⅜	25	25⅜	— ⅛
Balt & Ohio	284	13⅞	12½	13	— ⅛
Balt & Ohio pf	124	23	21½	22½	— ⅛
Bangor & Ar	5	13¾	13¾	13¾	— ⅛
Barber Asph	20	29¾	29¾	30	— ⅛
Barker Bros	2	17	17	17	— ⅛
Barnsdall Oil	11	16⅜	15⅝	15⅝	— ⅛
Bath Ir Wks	12	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞	— ⅛
Bayuk Cigars	3	33¼	33¼	33¼	+ ⅛
Beech Aire	17	13⅜	12⅞	13⅛	— ⅛
Beech-Nut Pack	1	117	117	117	—1½
Beldins-Hem	1	11½	11½	11½	— ⅛
Bell Aire	10	14	13⅝	14	— ⅛
Bendix Aviat	16	47	46	46½	—1¼
Benef Ind Ln	2	19¾	19¼	19¼	— ⅛
Best Foods	36	18⅝	18½	18⅝	— ⅛
Beth Steel	41	63¾	63	63¼	— ⅛
Beth Steel pf	63	127¼	127¼	127¼	—1½
Black & Decker	22	22⅝	22⅜	22⅜	— ⅛
Blaw-Knox	62	13⅝	13⅜	13⅜	— ⅛
Boeing Airp	22	18¼	17½	17⅝	— ⅛
Bohn Al & Br	5	49¼	48½	48½	—1
Bond Stores	7	11¼	11	11	— ⅛
Bond Strs pf	1	114¼	114¼	114¼	— ⅛
Borden Co	14	33⅜	33	33¼	— ⅛
Borg-Warner	7	39	38⅜	38⅝	—1⅛
Boston & Me	16	6¾	6¾	6¾	— ⅛
Bower Roll Bear	2	42	42	42	+ ⅛
Braniff Airw	11	19⅜	18⅞	19⅜	+ ⅛
Brew Corp Am	3	50	50	50	— ⅛
Bridgept Brass	5	10½	10½	10½	— ⅛
Briggs Mfg	26	37⅞	37	37	— ⅛
Briggs & Strat	1	40½	40½	40½	+ ⅛
Bristol-Myers	1	49½	49½	49½	— ⅛
Bklyn Un Gas	2	20½	20½	20½	— ⅛
Brown Shoe	5	45	45	45	—2⅜
Brunswk-Balk	6	24	23¾	24	— ⅛
Bucyrus-Erie	21	13⅜	12⅞	13	— ⅛
Budd Mfg	51	10¼	10	10¼	— ⅛
Budd Wheel	10	10	9⅞	10	— ⅛
Buffalo Forge	2	22	22	22	— ⅛
Bullard Co	2	19¼	19	19	— ⅛
Bulova Watch	16	47	46¾	46¾	— ⅛
Burling Mills	16	38⅞	37½	38⅝	+ ⅛
Burr Add Ma	16	13⅞	13¾	13¾	— ⅛
Bush Terminal	25	7⅛	7	7⅛	— ⅛
Butler Bros	12	14¼	14	14¼	— ⅛
Butler Bros pf	4	30⅝	30½	30⅝	— ⅛
Butte Cop & Z	7	3	3	3	— ⅛
Byers (AM) Co	7	16	15⅝	15⅝	— ⅛
Byron Jackson	3	22½	22½	22½	— ⅛
Calif Packing	3	26½	26½	26½	— ⅛
Callahan Z-Ld	29	1	1	1	
Calumet & Hec	11	7⅛	7	7⅛	— ⅛
Campbell Wy	1	20	20	20	— ⅛
Can Dry Ale	19	30⅞	30¼	30⅝	+ ⅛
Canad Pac	41	11½	11¼	11¼	— ⅛
Capital Adm A	5	10¼	10¼	10¼	— ⅛
Carpenter Stl	2	20	20	20	— ⅛
Carrier Corp	18	20	20	20	— ⅛
Carrier Corp pf	2	60½	60	60	— ⅛
Case (J I) Co	12	38⅛	38	38	— ⅛
Caterpil Trac	1	48¼	48	48	— ⅛
Celanese Corp	10	37	36½	36⅝	— ⅛
Celotex Corp	12	14¼	14	14	— ⅛
Cent Aguirre	11	20⅛	20⅛	20⅛	— ⅛
Cent Foundry	9	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛	— ⅛
Cent RR & B of J	12	31	31	31	— ⅛
Cerro de Pas	15	31⅜	31	31	— ⅛
Certain-td Pr	50	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝	— ⅛
Chain Belt	22	22	22	22	— ⅛
Champ Pap&F	3	29	28½	29	— ⅛
Checker Cab	3	39	38⅞	38⅞	—1⅛
Ches & Ohio	36	50	49	49⅞	— ⅛
Chi & Ill	12	6⅞	6⅞	6⅞	— ⅛
Chi & E Ill A	10	16	16	16	— ⅛
Chi Grt West	39	7⅛	6⅞	7	— ⅛
Chi Grt W pf	12	24½	23½	24	— ⅛
Chi Mail Order	2	24½	24½	24½	— ⅛
Chi & NW	52	25	24½	24⅝	— ⅛
Chi & NW pf	35	56¼	55¾	55¾	—1
Chi Pneu Tool	2	19⅝	19½	19½	— ⅛
Chi R I & Pac pf	1	48⅝	48⅝	48⅝	— ⅛
Childs Co	12	4¾	4¾	4¾	— ⅛
Chrysler Corp	13	89¾	88¾	89½	— ⅛
City Ice&Fuel	9	20½	20½	20½	— ⅛
City Stores	3	10¼	9¾	9¾	— ⅛
Clev Graph Br	3	44½	44	44¾	+ ⅛
Climax Molyb	13	33	32½	32¾	— ⅛
Cluett Peabody	7	36½	36	36	— ⅛
Coca-Cola	3	134	133	133½	— ⅛
Colgate-Palm-P	3	33	32¾	33	— ⅛
Collins & Aik	4	33¾	33¾	33¾	— ⅛
Col Fuel & Ir	17	24¾	23¾	24⅛	— ⅛
Colum Broad A	2	35½	35½	35½	+ ⅛
Colum Br'cast B	4	35½	35½	35½	+ ⅛
Colum G & El	238	4	3⅞	4	— ⅛
Col G &E 6% pf	22	90	84	88	— ⅛
Colum Pict	2	21⅜	21⅜	21⅜	— ⅛
Colum Carbon	1	96½	96½	96½	— ⅛
Comi Credit	6	39	38½	38⅝	— ⅛
Comi Invest Tr	34	42¾	41¾	42¼	— ⅛
Comi Solvents	36	15⅞	15½	15⅝	— ⅛
Com'wlth Edis	18	28¾	28	28⅝	— ⅛
Com & South	164	11	10⅝	10⅝	— ⅛
Com & South pf	7	93½	92¾	92¾	— ⅛
Conde Nast	7	23½	23½	23½	— ⅛
Consolenum-Na	7	28	27½	27½	— ⅛
Consol Cigar	3	29	28½	29	+ ⅛
Cons Coppermin	27	3⅜	3⅜	3⅜	— ⅛
Cons Edison	59	24¾	24	24½	+ ⅛
Cons Edison pf	1	106	106	106	— ⅛
Consol F Ind	14	5⅛	5	5	— ⅛
Cons F Ind pf	2	28	28	28	— ⅛
Cons Laundries	9	11¼	11⅛	11⅛	— ⅛
Cons Nat Gas	9	31½	30¾	31½	+ ⅛
Con RR Cuba pf	22	21¼	20¼	21	— ⅛
Cons Vultee	27	19¼	18⅞	18⅞	— ⅛
Cons Vultee pf	2	25½	25½	25½	— ⅛
Consol'n Coal	14	21¼	20⅞	21	— ⅛
Container Corp	7	28¾	28¼	28¼	— ⅛
Cont Bak	3	8⅝	8½	8½	— ⅛
Cont Can	37	37	36⅜	37	— ⅛
Cont Diam Fib	13	11⅜	10⅞	11¼	— ⅛
Cont Ins	7	46⅞	46⅜	46⅝	— ⅛
Cont Motors	68	6